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Jap Torpedo Boats Busy; Damaged Big Battleship

Russian Warship Sevastopol Damaged, But Is Still Able to Float.

Tokio, Dec. 15, 3 p.m. — The turret-ship Sevastopol is still afloat, but is apparently damaged.

A previous report stated that the battleship Sevastopol, the only Russian ship that escaped destruction, being docked when the other vessels were sunk after the Japanese captured 203-Meter Hill, escaped from the dock and harbor last night, and anchored under a protecting mountain. The tremendous price in life paid by the Japanese for the capture of 203-Meter Hill has been redeemed by the utter destruction of the Russian fleet. The Japanese fleet will now go into dock.

What Togo Says.

Tokio, Dec. 14.—The report of Vice-Admiral Togo received tonight, says: "Commander Kasama, commanding the torpedo flotilla, on Monday night, at midnight, attacked the Russian battleship Sevastopol lying outside Port Arthur. Subsequently two torpedo boats, under Commander Masado, attempted several attacks, facing the enemy's vigorous fire. The shock of the explosion of torpedoes was felt, but the next day the Sevastopol remained in the same position. None of our vessels was damaged.

"On Tuesday, at 2:30 a.m., another torpedo flotilla, under Commander Arakawa, attacked the Sevastopol, but the result of this attack was not learned. In this attack a shell from the enemy struck the funnel of one of our torpedo boats, and another struck the engine-room, disabling the vessel, and she lost her freedom of motion and was towed away by her comrades. There were no casualties.

"Again at 6 a.m. of the same day a torpedo flotilla, under Commander Seki, attempted an attack, but was exposed by the enemy's searchlights, and, being subjected to a heavy fire, was unable to accomplish its purpose. Simultaneously, Lieut. Adachi, commanding two torpedo boats, approached the enmy's ship and discharged torpedoes which were seen to explode, but with what effect is not known. These attackers were also exposed to a heavy fire, and both were hit once, and three men injured."

Tuesday's Attack.

Washington, Dec. 14. — The Japanese legation has received the following cablegram from Tokio: The commander of naval artillery reports that the bombardment on the 13th was principally aimed at the arsenal and the torpedo depot at Tiger Hill and at steamships in its vicinity. The torpedo depot was ablaze one hour. Three ships were destroyed, and one was sunk, besides buildings being greatly damaged. Indirect bombardment upon the Sevastopol, staying outside the harbor, was suspended, owing to bad weather which prevented observation. Togo reports that the torpedo boat flotilla attacked the Sevastopol twice on the night of the 12th and three times on the night of the 13th. The result is uncertain. Each time they met the enemy's fierce fire, and one of our torpedo boats was disabled, but towed back, while three received one shot each. Our total casualties were only three men wounded."

YOUNG'S WIDOW ON THE STAND

Nan Patterson Deathly Pale — Dead Man's Brother-in-Law Testified.

New York, Dec. 15. — Mrs. Young, widow of Caesar Young, was a witness yesterday in the criminal branch of the supreme court, where Nan Patterson is on trial before Justice Vernon M. Davis, charged with Young's murder. Although she was on the stand only long enough to identify a letter to which another witness had referred, Mrs. Young's presence there developed one of the most intense situations of the trial. As Mrs. Young took the stand, Miss Patterson became deathly pale, but watched intently every movement of the witness during her brief examination.

The letter which Mrs. Young identified has been produced by Bernard L. McKean, one of Young's brothers-in-law, who testified that Young had mentioned it in a conversation with Miss Patterson early in May and that Miss Patterson had said the letter was written by her sister, Mrs. J. Morgan Smith.

Another of Young's brothers-in-law, Wm. Luce, told of what occurred between Young and Miss Patterson at their meeting in a saloon the night before Young was killed and John Cowley, a cab driver, repeated his story of having seen Young slap the prisoner's face during a quarrel on the street that same night.

A HOWL WILL GO UP

Prohibition for the New State for at Least Ten Years.

Washington, Dec. 15. — An awful howl will go up when the thirsty citizens of the future State of Oklahoma discover that the committee on territories of the senate have amended the statehood bill, making the new state composed of the Oklahoma and Indian Territories prohibition for ten years.

The members of the committee came to the conclusion that this restriction would be necessary for the protection of the Indians, thousands of whom wil become citizens when the new state is created. Most of them are now in the Indian Territory, where they are under the direct protection of federal government. When they come into citizenship this protection will be removed as it was deemed extremely dangerous where firewater could be obtained in unlimited quantities simply as a matter of barter. Undoubtedly there will be a good deal of kicking, but the clause will be insisted on.

The Windsor Mayoralty.

Windsor, Ont., Dec. 15. — The mayoralty candidates now number three. Lieut.-Col. Bartlett, for business and other reasons, announced his retirement. This leaves Mayor Drake, Ald. Shepherd and Capt. Wigle in the race.

General Whiteside Dead.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 15. — Brigadier-General Samuel M. Whitside, U. S. A., retired, who had command of the department of Santiago during the Spanish war, died suddenly in this city today.

Canadian Turned Back.

Port Huron, Mich., Dec. 15. — United States Immigrant Inspector Pettit, has turned back to Canada a man from Barrie, Ont., who was on his way to Detroit to work in the Stevens brass foundry. It is said he had a contract with this firm in his pocket, and his daily wage was placed at 70 cents. It is not unusual for Canadian workmen to be turned back, but it is very seldom that a man is found who has a contract to work for 70 cents a day. The Stevens Company say that apprentices are paid 70 cents a day to start. They claim they had no contract with any man from Canada.

New Royal Arch Chapter.

Toronto, Dec. 15. — Arrangements are under way for a big meeting of the new Chapter of Royal Arch Masons, to be known as St. Patrick's Chapter, here on the 28th. Word has been received here that the Duke of Abercorn, who is the recognized head of Capitular Masonry in Ireland, has consented to become the patron of the new chapter.

FIGHT FOR LIFE IN BLAZING CAR

Motor Blew Out on Elevator —Trolley Dashes Down Steep Incline.

New York, Dec. 15.—The blowing out of the motor in a car of the Union Hill line, on the elevator that leads from Jersey City Heights to Hoboken, caused a panic among the hundred passengers on the car.

With the flames shooting from the box, the car rushed down the steep incline and was stopped near No. 3 truck of the Hoboken fire department. A hose was raised to the elevator, which is 160 feet high, and the firemen rescued the passengers, who stood shivering on the small footboard between the tracks on the elevator. They were taken to the street on ladders.

Motorman August Pfaltz was badly burned and was taken to his home in Union Hill. He was the hero of the accident. With hisc lothing in flames, he kept hold on the brake and succeeded in stopping the car.

The women passengers became panic-stricken when they saw the flames. A rush was made toward the door, but the conductor had locked it. With their fists the men broke the windows and smashed the panels of the doors in their frenzy to get out. The conductor shouted to them to be calm, but they only redoubled their efforts.

Several men were attempting to climb out of the windows when the firemen arrived and extinguished the blaze. None of the passengers was seriously injured. The car was ruined and traffic was delayed nearly two hours.

ICICLES COVER AUTOISTS

Capt. Deasy Completes a Remarkable 4,000-Mile Run.

London, Dec. 15.—Capt. Deasy, under the auspices of the Automobile Club of Great Britain and Ireland, has just successfully completed a severe 4,000-mile reliability trial on a Martini car. The run was undertaken by Capt. Deasy to show that an ordinary touring 15.10-hourse power automobile is capable of running 4,000 miles or more at the rate of 200 miles a day, under the severest conditions as regards weather and bad roads.

The Automobile Club chose the roads for Capt. Deasy, and certainly a severer test could hardly have been given.

The automobilist started with a few days' fog. Then came snowstorms, the four occupants of the car being covered with icicles several inches long at the end of the day's journey. Then followed a thaw which made the roads very bad, with constant danger of side-slips, but, notwithstanding the bad weather, there was only one side-slip.

The Automobile Club has now decided to institute international races for tourist cars, the prize to be known as the Tourist trophy, to be run between May 1 and Oct. 1 in each year, over a distance of not less than 150 miles and not more than 250 miles.

Heard From by "Wireless."

New York, Dec. 15. — The White Star Line steamer Majestic, from Liverpool for New York, was in communication by wireless telegraph west of Nantucket lightship at 7:55 a.m. Will probably dock about 8:30 a.m. tomorrow.

Steamer Louisburg Overdue.

St. Johns, Nfld., Dec. 15.—The steamer Louisburg, coal laden, for St. Johns, has put in at Trepassey, after having been driven 160 miles seaward. She had her decks swept, boats smashed and gear demolished. The steamer Damara has reached here from Liverpool, after a similar experience. The steamer Sicily, from Halifax, has been out six days, and fears are entertained for her safety. The steamer Rosalind will sail tonight to search for the Sicily and other missing ships.

"I Am a Thief.

Wilkesbarre, Pa., Dec. 15.—All other efforts having failed to reform an habitual thief, Mayor Nichols some time ago had a placard reading: "I am a thief!" placed upon the back of Sarah Jones and had her paraded around the public square during the busy hours of the day. Today Sarah was again arrested for theft and was sentenced to jail for 30 days. She has a mania for stealing shoes, her theft today being three pairs, and her several previous thefts also being of shoes, which she picked up from stands in front of stores.

SHORT CHAPTER OF CASUALTIES

Two Children Burned to Death at Quebec.

CAUGHT LIKE RATS IN A TRAP

Lady Run Down by Car and Very Seriously Injured—A Man Killed by Train.

Quebec, Dec. 14. — The burning to death of their three-year-old daughter and twenty-two-months-old infant and the nine-year-old son so badly that he can hardly pass the night, is the awful tragedy of a fire which leveled the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Plante at Montmorency Falls last night. The daughter was burned like a rat in a trap, and the remains have not yet been recovered. The boy and infant were saved from the burning building, the latter dying this morning, after suffering indescribable agony all night long, and it is feared the boy will die tonight or tomorrow.

The children were left alone in the house last night while the mother went to a grocery store near by. The father works at night in the cotton factory. Passers-by about 9 p.m. noticed the building on fire and immediately gave the alarm. Neighoors ran quickly to the burning building, and some heroically entered the place and succeeded in saving the two above mentioned, but the little girl perished in the building, which was enveloped in a very short space of time.

STRUCK BY CAR.

Toronto, Junction, Ont., Dec. 15. — Barney McGroity 60 years of age, a resident of Woodbridge, was instantly killed in the C. P. R. yards at Toronto Junction yesterday morning by No. 4 express from the west, which reached the Junction at 8:15 a.m. McGroity was discharged last night, and was on his way to the yard office with his time sheet when the accident happened. He failed to notice the approaching train and was struck just as he was stepping on the track. McGroity leaves a widow and a family of grown-up sons and daughters. His widow came down from Woodbridge this morning.

KILLED AT CROSSING.

Peterboro, Ont., Dec. 15. — As the result of a collision with a street car yesterday afternoon, Mrs. Joseph Moncrieff, of Otonabee, was very seriously if not fatally injured. Mrs. Moncrieff was driving a single rig along Dublin street, and while attempting to cross George street was run down by a south-bound car. Apparently, Mrs. Moncrieff misjudged the speed of the car, which was moving at a rapid rate, and struck the rig fairly in the center, hurling Mrs. Moncrieff to the ground. She was removed to the Nichols Hospital, where is was ascertained that the base of the skull was fractured, her right collarrbone broken and her body badly bruised.

COST HIM $570

Astonished the Judge by Paying Fines in Twenty Cases.

Vincennes, Ind., Dec. 15. — Samuel Orndorff, of Oaktown, startled the Knox circuit court by walking before Judge Cobb during the progress of an assault case and asking to be allowed to settle with the court for 20 grand jury indictments against him for "bootlegging."

Orndorff was told that the fines and costs aggregated $570. He thereupon took a plie of gold coin from his pocket, paid the fine and leisurely left the courtroom under the astonished gaze of the judge and spectators.

WALL STREET RECOVERING

Prices of Stocks Riso Steadily in the Opening Deals.

New York, Dec. 15 — Wall Street. — Prices of stocks today rose easily in the opening dealings on a good demand. Reading led the advance with a gain of 1 7-8. Amalagamated Copper rose 1 5-8, Illinois Central 1 1-4, and Missouri Pacific, St. Paul, Norfolk and Western, and Erie, a point. Large fractional gains were established also for Atcheson, Pennsylvania, Southern Pacific, United States Steel, preferred, and Erie 1st, preferred.

MOBBED BY SIXTY GIRLS

Tried to Tar and Feather a Man Who Kept Them Out of Work.

Mansfield, O., Dec. 15.—Sixty girls mobbed Jacob Roose here last night. Their plan to tar and feather him was almost carried into effect. Roose was bound with ropes and beaten and slapped by the girls.

The attackers were employes of the Brown glove factory. Roose owns the factory building, and has been turning off the water which supplies the power, it is alleged. The girls were angered by the loss of time. Roose was lured out of the building, tied with a rope and dragged toward the gashouse, where the tar and feathers were ready. He slipped out of his bonds and locked himself in his factory. The girls tried to break in, but were prevented by their employer.

Roose was badly frightened and bears marks of rough handling. He has been assaulted by the girls once before.

REV. C. PARKHURST WINS

Retained as Editor of Zion's Herald by Unanimous Vote.

Boston, Dec. 15. — By official action of the Boston Wesleyan Association, which owns and controls Zion's Herald, the organ of the Methodist Episcopal Church in New England, the contest which has been waged against the continuance of Charles Parkhurst in the position of editor ended with a victory for Parkhurst yesterday. By a unanimous vote the association, at its annual meeting, refused to consider his resignation and confirmed the editor in his post.

The opposition to Dr. Parkhurst came as a result of the verdict of $24,000 entered against him and the Wesleyan Association jointly last February in a suit for libel brought by Dr. Edwin A. Schell, a western clergyman.

Fall of Suspension Bridge At Charleston, West Va.

Many School Children and Six Teams Precipitated Fifty Feet to Ice Below.

Charleston W. Va., Dec. 15. — The suspension bridge connecting East and West Charleston fell today, precipitating six teams and a number of school children, estimated variously from a dozen to thirty, into the ice-covered waters some 50 feet below. The following were rescued within an hour:

S. Smith, 9, arm broken and internal injuries; Lillie Cavendar, 16, bruised; Louise McWhorler and Helen Cavendar, who went down, but got out themselves on the ice; Ira Wood, a driver; William Homes, a driver both badly bruised; George Woodell, a driver; Henry Fielder, who was perhaps fatally injured.

The dead body of Mammie Higginbotham, aged 8, was recovered. Ray Humphries is missing. Of thirteen horses, but one escaped.

Great crowds have collected on both banks. Many persons living in the west side are employed in Charleston. But one strand of the cable remains.

The bridge turned turtle as it went down, and the floor is lying amid the ice floes a little below the place of crossing.

Men in boats are fishing in 20 feet of water for bodies. The bridge had been in a dangerous condition for some time.

Charleston, W. Va., Dec. 15. — The body of Ray Humphreys, aged 15 years, was recovered. Gordon Long and Tom Michie, drivers, went down with the bridge, but caught the edge of the ice and managed to reach the shore in safety.

The bridge floor was covered with several inches of ice and snow. It had been considered unsafe for heavy loads for several months. The span of the bridge which fell was about 800 feet long. The bridge was built in 1852 and crosses the Elk River.

"Final Farewell" of Patti.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 15. — Mme. Adelina Patti gave a concert here tonight for the benefit of the Red Cross Society, under the auspices of the Grand Duchess Maria Pavlona. The concert was a brilliant success, netting over $37,000. Seats were sold at fabulous prices. Emperor Nicholas and all the wealth and rank of the Russian capital were present. The diplomatic corps was represented by Spencer Eddy, the American charge d'affaires. Mme. Patti received an ovation and at the conclusion of the concert announced that this was her final farewell to the concert stage, adding that as her first success was achieved in St. Petersburg it was fitting that she should close her public career here.

Close Call For Mrs. McMaster.

Kingston, Dec. 15. — Mrs. William McMaster, widow of the late Senator McMaster, of Toronto, had a thrilling experience with a spanking pair of horses owned by her son-in-law, Capt. W. A. Grant, of Roselawn, Kingston. The horses dashed up Princess street, turned down Barrie and Stuart streets towards the water. To save them going into the lake, the coachman endeavored to turn the carriage, and it upset. Mrs. McMaster was badly bruised, and Miss Alice Grant was severely shocked.

Forty Boats Laid Up.

Owen Sound, Dec. 15. — A fleet of 40 craft, the largest on record, are in winter quarters here. The scene now presented in Owen Sound harbor can only finds its parallel in a blockade at the Soo canals. For a mile along the eastern side of the harbor, big steel carriers, passenger steamers, schooners and tugs are tied up singly, and in some places two abreast. The number of vessels in port, in fact, is the largest on record.

Boats Released.

Put-in-Bay, Dec. 15. — The steamers Gowen and A. S. Chisholm, which got stuck in the ice on the north side of Kelley's Island, were released last night by the steamer Lakeside. They will load stone for Cleveland.

THE WEATHER.

Tomorrow Snow.

London, Thursday, Dec. 15.
Sun rises..7:44 a.m. Moon rises..12:56 p.m.
Sun sets...4:42 p.m. Moon sets...12:20 a.m.

Toronto, Dec. 14—8 p.m.

Milder weather has prevailed today in Manitoba, and temperatures have been stationary or slightly higher from Ontario to the Maritime Provinces. Heavy rainfalls have occurred in British Columbia and local snow flurries in the lake region.

Minimum and maximum temperatures: Victoria, 44—50; Kamloops, 28—34; Calgary, 16—22; Minnedosa, 20—32; Winnipeg, 12—26; Port Arthur, 10 below—22; Parry Sound, zero—14; Toronto, 2—20; Ottawa, 8—16; Montreal, 4—10; Quebec, 2 below—12; St. John, 14—22; Halifax, 22—26.

FORECASTS.

Thursday, Dec. 15—8 a.m.

Today—Westerly winds; continued cold; snow flurries.

Friday—Strong southwest winds, with a snowfall.

TEMPERATURES.

Stations.	8 a.m.	Min.	Weather.
Calgary	26	24	Snow
Winnipeg	22	22	Snow
Parry Sound	8	—4	Cloudy
Toronto	16	16	Cloudy
Ottawa	—4	—6	Fair
Montreal	2	0	Cloudy
Quebec	—2	—2	Cloudy
Father Point	10	6	Cloudy

WEATHER NOTES.

The weather continues cold from Ontario to the Maritime Provinces, but has become somewhat milder in Manitoba. An important disturbance is moving towards Ontario from the west, and will probably bring a fairly general snowfall.

LOCAL TEMPERATURES.

The highest and lowest readings of the thermometer at the local observatory for the 24 hours ended at 8 p.m. Wednesday were: Highest, 21°; lowest, 6.5°.

DR. L. S. CHADWICK REMAINS IN PARIS

He Has Decided to Make a Formal Statement.

MRS. CHADWICK IN CLEVELAND

Occupies Cell 14, the Best One in the Jail—Students' Loss To Be Made Good.

Paris, Dec. 15. — Mrs. Cassie L. Chadwick's belief that her husband, Dr. Leroy S. Chadwick, has sailed for New York from Liverpool is erroneous. Dr. Chadwick is still here. The correspondent of the Associated Press has seen him daily. During a conversation last night Dr. Chadwick said he had decided not to make a formal statement, and is determined not to see any more representatives of the press, as he considers his statements have been misquoted, except those made to the Associated Press representative.

CASSIE IN JAIL.

New York, Dec. 15. — On board the train which took Mrs. Chadwick to Cleveland, says the World, was a New York detective on his way to Canada to search for a man who, under many aliases, had swindled two big New York and Boston bond-dealing houses out of securities running into thousands of dollars. These firms are N. W. Harris & Co. and E. H. Gay & Co. He obtained about $9,000 on some of the stolen bonds from a Birmingham bank. A few days ago word was received that the man wanted was in Toronto, Ont., and a detective was sent to that city.

Five times indicted by the United States Government, Mrs. Cassie L. Chadwick came home to Cleveland today. She was greeted with jeers, hoots and hisses by the crowds that gathered in the depot when her train arrived, and howled at by hundreds gathered in front of the Federal building.

She made no attempt to give bail, and after a brief stop in the office of the clerk of the United States court, was taken to jail, occupying cell No. 14. There is a small chance that she will be able to leave the jail before her trial. There are now seven indictments against her—five additional charges having been laid against her in the afternoon. It would require surety to the amount of at least $100,000 to give her freedom. She has personally no idea of giving bail, and will remain in jail. She has the best cell in the place.

CARNEGIE SICK.

Andrew Carnegie is willing to appear against Mrs. Chadwick when his health has sufficiently improved. His secretary says: "Mr. Carnegie's only reason for not going to Cleveland at this time has already been given. His health will not permit of his taking the trip, save at considerable risk. He has been willing to make a deposition at his home, and later, on his return from Florida, he will end his assistance and be present to testify at any subsequent proceeding, such as a trial, whenever his testimony is needed.

FAST TRAIN WRECKED

Smashup on Chicago, Burlington and Quincy—Fireman Killed.

Chicago, Dec. 15. — Fast mail train No. 11, eastbound, on the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy Rilroad, was wrecked today, two miles west of Bristol, Ill. Oscar Johnson, fireman, was killed, and Engineer John Cowdry was probably fatally injured.

The train was composed of mail couches only, and carried no passengers. The mail clerks escaped injury.

WILL COST $529,000

Contract Let for Winnipeg Postoffice —One of the Finest in Canada.

Winnipeg, Man., Dec. 15. — The contract for the new postoffice has been let, the amount being $529,000. It is said the building will be the finest of its kind in Canada.

JUDGE DISMISSED CASE

Hiram Witherford Was Charged With Misappropriating $700.

Sandwich, Ont., Dec. 15. — Hiram Witherford, charged with misappropriating $700 from Sterling Bros., of Blenheim, has been dicharged by the sessions of the general peace before Judge Horne.

The grand jury brought in a true bill of theft against the prisoner, but after the case went to trial, it was taken from the jury by Judge Horne and dismissed.

MANY DEAD ON THE FIELD

Fifty or Sixty Natives Killed in Fight With German Troops

Berlin, Dec. 15. — Lieut.-Gen. Von Trotha, commander-in-chief of the German forces in German Southwest Africa, telegraphing from Windhoek, says: Fifty or 60 dead Hottentots were found on the field after the natives' fight with Col. Deimling's force on Dec. 5. The latter captured 3,000 head of cattle.

Thirty-six settlers have been murdered by Witbois in the southern part of the colony since the rising, and five settlers are missing.

Fire at Glace Bay, N. S.

Glace Bay, N. S., Dec. 14.—Fire last night destroyed four buildings at Reserve Mines, the property of W. J. MacDonald & Co., general dealers. Total loss, $20,000; half covered by insurance.

Manufacturers Fire Insurance Meeting

Toronto, Dec. 15. — The first meeting of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association fire insurance board was held yesterday afternoon. Representatives are here from all parts of the Dominion. Col. W. M. Gartshore is representing the London branch. Arrangements will be made for carrying two million dollars of fire insurance.

Want Black Sea Fleet Sent to the Far East

Russian Press Clamor to Have Something Done—Disaffection in Military Circles.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 15. — Vice-Admiral Bezobrazoff has been appointed chief of the naval staff during the absence of Vice-Admiral Rojestvensky.

A newspaper this morning again prints a long leader in favor of sending out the Black Sea fleet to the far east. The article lays stress on Russia's alleged right to use the Dardanelles purely and simply as a passageway, since there is no other exit from the Black Sea.

Movements of Fleet.

Canea, Island of Crete, Dec. 15. — Three cruisers of the Russian second Pacific squadron, on the voyage to the far east, have arrived at Aden. The vessels of the squadron which preceded these cruisers are still at Jibutil awaiting the arrival of the latter.

Swakopmund, Southwest Africa, Dec. 14.—Part of the warships of the Russian second Pacific squadron arrived at Angrapaquena on Dec. 12, and began coaling from colliers.

Soldiers Want Reform.

New York, Dec. 15.—A St. Petersburg dispatch to the Herald says: It is significant that the soldiers at the front are keenly interested in the proposed reforms in Russia.

M. Kiriloff, in a special dispatch to the Russ from Mukden, says the soldiers talk of little else, appearing thoroughly to understand the meaning of such reforms, and attributing the same to a desire to reward them for the hardships they are now enduring.

The idea has thrown new life into them, together with a desire to finish off the Japanese quickly, in order to get home to live as men with liberties.

Agitation in Warsaw.

New York, Dec. 15. — A Berlin dispatch to the Times says: Telegrams received here are to the effect that the agitation in Warsaw continues and that anti-Government street demonstrations occur daily.

The movement extends to the highest military circles, and many officers, participants in the revolutionary propaganda, were recently arrested and imprisoned in a fortress.

The troops generally are disaffected, because many of them whose term of service is at an end will be compelled to serve until next Easter or later, owing to the mobilization.

The Socialists are taking full advantage of the situation to push their campaign.

"SPECIAL VOTES" DEFEATED PREMIER

One-Man-One-Vote Principle Is Inoperative in Prince Edward Island.

Halifax, N. S., Dec. 15. — The provincial election in Prince Edward Island has apparently resulted in the defeat of Premier Peters by one vote. Under the provincial law a voter is entitled to vote in as many electoral districts as he may have property qualifications in, in addition to voting in the district where he resides. These votes outside of residence districts are called "special votes." The regular vote gave Premier Peters in his district of St. Peter's a majority of six, but when the special votes were counted the Premier was left one behind his opponent, Hon. James Cummiskey, commissioner of works, on the other hand, who was defeated in Fort Augustus by seven majority, was counted in on special votes and now has a majority of one. Great excitement prevails and a scrutiny will be held. The defeat of Mr. Peters leaves the Liberal party, although having a large majority in the Legislature, without a leader. If the Premier is ultimately counted out an effort will be made to get a seat for him. Protests have been filed against four federal members in the island.

NOTES.

Mr. J. P. Whitney is consulting with his advisers as to the election campaign.

Wednesday's nominations for the Legislature: Monck, Hon. R. Harcourt, Liberal; Manitoulin, W. J. Tucker, Liberal; South Norfolk, Arthur C. Pratt, Conservative; Parry Sound, D. B. Best, Prohibitionist.

Two election protests have been filed in Montreal, one against the return of Ald. Dan Gallery, M. P. for St. Ann's division of Montreal, whose disqualification is asked for, and one against Ald. H. B. Ames, M. P. for St. Antoine division.

Ten protests were filed against Liberals in Nova Scotia. No protests are entered in Yarmouth, Digby, Lunenburg, Antigonish, Guysboro, Richmond, Inverness and Cape Breton South. T. R. Robertson, law partner of R. L. Borden, is the attorney for all the petitioners.

An inspection of all the ballots cast at poll No. 2, Clarendon and Miller, in Frontenac riding, at the last general elections, is to be asked for.

COMPANY APPEALING

Pere Marquette Takes Burriss Case to Divisional Court.

A Toronto dispatch says: William Burris, of London, recently obtained a judgment against the Pere Marquette Railway, awarding him $600 damages for injuries received on an excursion train. The train from London to Port Stanley was so crowded that he and several others were forced to stand on the platform or to sit on the steps, with the result that one of Burris' feet was hit by a beam and badly injured. The company is today appealing to the divisional court at Osgcode Hall, claiming that it did not run the excursion, but that the Lake Erie and Detroit River Railway did.

Tolstoi Opening Bookstores.

Moscow, Dec. 15.—Count Tolstoi has opened bookstores here and at St. Petersburg and is offering to provide village libraries with books at cheap prices.

Bank of England Statement.

London, Dec. 15. — The weekly statement of the Bank of England shows the following changes: Total reserve decreased £463,000. Circulation decreased £195,000; bullion decreased £657,651; other securities increased £51,009; other deposits decreased £692,000; public deposits increased £294,000; notes reserve decreased £276,000. Government securities unchanged. Proportion of the banks reserve to liability this week 45.37 per cent, as compared with 45.93 last week.

Fight For Life in Lion's Cage

Minneapolis, Dec. 15. — Howard Hall, leading man in "The Waifs' Paradise" at the Bijou Theater, appeared last night with one hand bandaged as the result of a terrible fight for life behind the scenes. Just before dressing for his part, Hall entered the cage of lions to test their temper, and was attacked by one of the beasts. Mr. Hall fired his pistol in the animal's face and drove him off, but not until the lion had clawed Mr. Hall's hand.

GEN. OYAMA'S COLUMN MOVING

Take a Position on the South Bank of the Taitse—Cold Keeps Things Quiet.

Mukden, Dec. 15. — The Japanese column on Gen. Oyama's right, which Gen. Rennenkampff recently drove back to the Taitse River, is again reported to be moving northeast, and strongly-holding the Siaodagai Sianchan region. They also occupy Siaodyr on the south bank of the Taitse River, and are guarding the bridge, which is no longer of any importance, owing to the freezing of the river. The extreme cold keeps things quiet along the front. The distribution of warm clothing to the troops is practically finished.

Harbin, Dec. 15. — Gen. Kaulbars, commander of the third army, met with a hearty reception on his arrival here today. There are 22 hospitals, each with 180 beds, here. There are many cases of typhoid fever.

Jibutil, Dec. 15. — The vessels of the Russian second Pacific squadron, which had been coaling here, sailed last night.

FEB. 3 IS DATE OF THE BIG BALL

Officers of the Seventh Making Arrangements for Event at the New Armories.

The officers of the Seventh Regiment held a meeting last night to discuss the question of the opening of the new armories, and the grand ball which is to take place in connection with that event. Since the elections are to be held on Jan. 25, it was decided not to hold the ball until Feb. 3. The opening will take place a week or so earlier. Subscription lists for the ball are now in the hands of all the officers, and all those who wish to attend should have their names placed on them at the earliest possible date. The ball will undoubtedly be one of the biggest affairs of its kind that has ever been held in London. Every preparation is being made to insure the success of the event and no expense will be spared.

Following are some of the committee who were chosen last night, and which will report at a meeting to be held on Dec. 27:

Finance—Capts. Reid and Becher.

Music—Major Hayes, Capt. W. J. Reid, Surgeon-Major Piper, Lieuts. Spittal, Macbeth and Hunt, and Surgeon-Lieut. Kingsmill.

Printing—Capt. Campbell, Lieuts. Andrews and Murphy.

Refreshments—Capts. F. Reid and H. C. Becher, Lieuts. Little, Macbeth and Carling.

Decorations—Capt. Graham, Lieuts. Taylor, Westlake, Gregory, Ingram, Ware and Scandrett.

The officers of the whole are: Honorary chairman, Major Cronyn; honorary treasurer, Capt. Brown; honorary secretary, Capt. McCrimmon.

CHILDLESS HELD CRIMINAL

St. Louis Minister Urges Churches to Start a Crusade.

St. Louis, Dec. 15.—"I consider the unwillingness of women in certain circles to have children the greatest crime of the age," declared Rev. William Schutz, in an address to the meeting of the Northern Methodist ministers. The vice of intemperance and the liquor traffic, Rev. Mr. Schutz added, while no doubt great evils, were of lesser importance.

He advised the women who are devoting their time to crusades against the liquor traffic to take up the work of preaching the necessity for larger families in certain classes.

While admitting that the subject was a delicate one, the speaker declared that necessity demanded that the church take some action to bring about a change of conditions.

In analyzing his subject, Rev. Mr. Schutz said the aversion to raising children is more prevalent among the descendants of the old Puritan stock than elsewhere. He pointed to a danger in the fact that a certain foreign element is beginning to multiply rapidly in this country, and said that unless the native-born Americans change the ideas the republic will undergo a complete change in the character of the population.

PERILOUS PLIGHT; MARVELOUS ESCAPE

Thrilling Story Told by Crew of Wrecked Vessel.

WERE ADRIFT FIFTEEN HOURS

Clung to Wreckage, Which Drifted Into Path of Steamers—Eight Men and a Woman Escape.

Boston, Mass., Dec. 15. — A story of hardship and miraculous escape from death was related by the crew of the New York barkentine Emila, who were brought here by the steamer New York, which rescued the crew last Sunday, fifteen hours after they had been carried adrift on a fragment of their vessel.

The Emila, which left Fernandina, Dec. 7, with pine lumber for Fall River, struck only a few miles off Cape Hatteras, at 10 o'clock last Saturday night, during a heavy storm, and was pounded to pieces half an hour later. No lives were lost.

The captain of the vessel was W. E. Reemie, of Machias, Me., and besides his crew of seven men, he had his wife with him. The voyage was smooth until last Sunday, when the weather appeared threatening. At noon Capt. Reemie decided to reduce sails, and steer for Diamond Shoal lightship. The wind steadily increased. A thick vapor came over the water, followed by occasional snow squalls, which made it impossible to see ahead of the bowsprit. At 8 o'clock soundings were taken, but as bottom could not be found, the captain decided that he was well-off port.

Half an hour later the lookout reported that he made out the glimmer of a light, but could not tell whether it was the reflection of one or the two beacons, as the mist again settled. Suddenly the barkentine brought up on what afterwards proved to be Diamond Shoal, and great waves threatened to sweep away all hands.

The deck load was swept overboard. The entire crew and captain's wife found shelter in the forward deckhouse. A few minutes before Mr. Reemie was struck by a huge wave and carried from the pilot-house to the cabin, but he escaped. Within a quarter of an hour after the vessel struck, the mizzenmast went overboard, and at the same time a great sea wrenched off the stern up to the after-hatch. The main and foremasts, with all rigging attached, crashed over the sides, and to the frightened sailors it seemed as if all the elements had combined to hurl those on the crumbling ship to destruction. Each huge billow lifted her entirely clear of the bottom at times, and with each new wave the great gaps in the hull widened.

Finally the bow of the vessel began to go to pieces, and in a short time was torn from the hull at the forehatch, and the boat gradually went to pieces. The crew attempted to construct a raft, but as the storm continued the effort was abandoned. The forward deckhouse remained attached to a portion of the main deck, and when seas swept it away the captain, his wife and crew were able to hold their position. The waves dashed over them frequently, and they were obliged to stand in a foot of water drenched.

The wreckage drifted about twenty miles in a southeasterly direction, and in the path of the coast steamers. At noon Sunday the steward found matches in a tin box, and by tearing off parts of the interior of the house was able to start a fire on the remaining portion of the deck. The fire attracted the attention of the New York, and, although the sea was still running high, all the castways were taken from the wreckage.

Seed Potatoes for Island.

Dublin, Dec. 15.—As the result of an investigation into the failure of the potato crop in the west of Ireland, the Government has authorized the local government board to advance money to boards of guardians for the purpose of providing seed potatoes.

Because He Was an Alien.

Ottawa, Dec. 15. — In reference to the dispatch saying President Creelman, of the Ontario Agricultural College, Guelph, had complained to the Dominion authorities about Thomas Gardiner, a college student, being taxed $2 while traveling to the St. Louis fair, Mr. W. D. Scott, superintendent of immigration, says that no official notice or intimation has reached his office. He says that as Gardiner is an Englishman the tax was legal, as the American immigration laws provides for the collection of the tax on all persons entering the country except Canadians. The only question that would be raised in the matter would be as to whether Gardiner had been long enough in Canada to claim Canadian citizenship.

HOW MANY PEOPLE ARE ALWAYS TIRED

You Get Up in the Morning All Played Out and Unfit for Labor. An Easy Way to Become Bright and Vigorous. You Can Eat Well and Sleep Well and Forget You Were Ever Tired.

Do you ever stop to think why you feel more tired in the morning than when you retire the night before? Did it ever occur to you after your noon-day meal why you are unequal to further exertion for an hour or two? You are quite played out, feel almost unhappy, unfit for labor and for exertion of any kind. You have acquired the habit of overloading your stomach, your liver is congested and your bowels loaded with foul refuse. You have piled agony upon agony until your very vitals cry out for assistance. "What shall I do?" You say. Use Smith's Pineapple and Butternut Pills for just a week. Take two each night when you retire. They will make you feel better, not only in the morning but all day long, and in a week's time they will cure so that you will again feel bright and active, and your tired, despondent, blue condition will have vanished. As an after-dinner pill nothing can take the place of Smith's Pineapple and Butternut Pills, for they possess not only the antiseptic and resolvent properties of pineapple, but also the laxative and tonic properties of butternut. They improve digestion, assimilation and nutrition, and in every respect can be relied upon to accomplish good results in cases of a torpid liver or of a sluggish condition of the bowels. At all dealers, 25 cents. They always cure sick headache, constipation and biliousness in one night.

All genuine signed W. F. Smith.

SMITH'S BUCHU LITHIA PILLS
A POSITIVE CURE FOR RHEUMATISM AND ALL FORMS OF KIDNEY AND BLADDER ILLS.
AT ALL DEALERS—25 CENTS.
A CURE AT THE PEOPLES PRICE

IN SUPREME COURT

List of Judgments Given in the Ontario Cases.

Ottawa, Dec. 15. — Judgments in Ontario cases were given in the supreme court yesterday as follows:

Cox vs. Adams—A Toronto case; appeal allowed in favor of Evelyn S. Cox; action against Miss Cox dismissed with costs in all the courts. The chief justice dissented. The appeal was allowed in favor of the other defendants in some directions. Chief justice and Killan dissented.

Canada Woolen Mills Company vs. Traplin—Appeal dismissed. Nesbitt dissented.

Pearson vs. Carpenter—Appeal dismissed, no costs in any court. Davies and Killan dissented.

Canada Foundry vs. Mitchell — Appeal dismissed. Sedgwick and Nesbitt dissented.

The court adjourned until Jan. 31 at noon, to deliver judgments exclusively.

GIRL WAS KILLED ON ICY TRACKS

Brother Unable to Rescue Her From an Approaching Freight Train.

Pittsburg, Pa., Dec. 15. — In attempting to cross the Pennsylvania Railroad tracks at Turtle Creek in front of an approaching freight train, Miss Emma R. Cross, aged 21, fell on the slippery ties. The train passed over her, severing both legs above the knees. M. M. Cross, a brother, who tried to rescue her, was knocked down with his 8-year-old daughter in his arms. Both were badly injured. The woman was dragged 30 feet, when her body was thrown to the side of the tracks. She was placed aboard a passenger train and brought to Mercy Hospital, where she died two hours after the accident.

Accompanied by her brother, Martin, and his daughter, Dorothy, Miss Cross, left home shortly after 11 o'clock to walk to the Pennsylvania station, where the party intended boarding a train for Homewood. There they were to visit a brother, Howard J. Cross.

Instead of using the overhead railway bridge, Miss Cross suggested, to save time, that they walk along the tracks. At the point where they started to cross there is a sharp curve, and her brother, who was first to step on the tracks, did not notice the approaching train until he reached the other side. He called to his sister to wait until the train passed, but thinking that he told her to come on she started over. On account of the snow and ice she lost her footing.

Without having time to place Dorothy on the ground Martin lunged for his sister, and was dragging her from the track as the pilot of the engine knocked him and the child aside. When examined at the station by Dr. W. S Plotner it was found that the entire body was gashed from head to waist and that death was a question of a few hours. The passenger train which the party was to take, arrived soon after and the injured woman was placed aboard. Martin Cross was severely cut about the head and body and sustained many bruises. Dorothy Cross, who was thrown for some distance, was painfully but not seriously hurt.

WEATHER CALCULATIONS

What the Washington Prophet Has to Say—Next Storm.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 12.—Next disturbance will reach Pacific Coast about 14, cross west of Rockies by close of 15, great central valleys 16 to 18, Eastern States 20. Warm wave will cross west of Rockies about 14, great central valleys 16, Eastern States 18. Cool wave will cross west of Rockies about 17, great central valleys 19, Eastern States 21. This disturbance will come in at the close of a great cold wave and will be the turning point from the coldest week of the month toward the warmest week, the latter being expected near the close of the month. Following this disturbance the temperatures will go up and down as usual, but more up than down, bringing quite warm weather for the season during the holidays. Not far from New Year's Day a cold wave will come in from the northwest and will probably penetrate southeastward as far as the Mississippi River by that day. The cold wave will bring rains or snows, according to latitude, following two weeks of quite dry weather. The disturbance mentioned in first paragraph above will be at its greatest force or intensity on the Pacific Coast and Pacific slope not far from 15 and at the same time the preceding disturbance will be at its greatest intensity on the Atlantic Coast and eastern slope of the Alleghenies. The cold wave that will reach Meridian 90 not far from 20 will be quite general, but not very severe. Low temperatures will follow date of this bulletin, but weather will not be very stormy.

My weather calculations for 1905 will be completed about Dec. 15. Last half of January will bring unusually severe winter storms. April will bring some of the most destructive tornadoes of recent years, detailed forecasts of which will be given later. May will bring unusual weather extremes not favorable to crops in many sections. July and August will not bring the weather extremes experienced in these months the past four years.

WOULD DEFRAUD W. O. W.

Ora C. Hines, Alias Harry Lennox, Arrested in Montreal.

Montreal, Dec. 15. — Ora C. Hines, alias Harry Lennox, wanted in Cleburn County, Texas, on the charge of having attempted to defraud the fraternal organization, the Woodmen of the World, has been located in this city.

Hines mysteriously disappeared in 1891, his horse and carriage being discovered in the river. It was supposed that he had been drowned, and his "widow" applied for his insurance with the Woodmen of the World. The body not being found, the organization refused to pay and put the case in the hands of a detective agency, which, after a long chase, located the man in this city.

When confronted with the evidence, Hines acknowledged the game was up and consented to return without fighting extradition.

Cost $1,200 for Shock.

Toronto, Dec. 15.—John Higgins got a judgment against the Hamilton Electric Light and Cataract Power Company for $1,200 for an electric shock he sustained at St. Catharines. There is today an appeal before the court of appeal.

PROFESSOR CROOK IS ABOUT TO WED

Said He Had Never Kissed or Hugged a Girl.

MISS PURDIN CAN TELL NOW

The Young Lady Is a Most Charming School Teacher—Has No Fear of Love Germs.

Chillicothe, O., Dec. 14. — Rogue Cupid and all the marriageable girls in the country are laughing together in one grand, sweet, hilarious chorus.

"Ha-ha-ha!" whispers Cupid to the girls, who are holding their plump sides, "Ha-ha-ha! Prof. A. B. Crook is engaged to be married. He is the truly good man who declared more than three years ago that he had never hugged nor kissed a woman or girl. You will remember, he said, 'the scientific atmosphere is inimical to the love germ;' he had stoned to death the kissing bug with the rocks of the geology and mineralogy he teaches. The learned professor must have been neglecting his studies lately, eh, my children? He has felt the brush of her curls against his cheek, he has looked into her inviting eyes, he has seen her blush, he has thrilled with the thrill of her warm lips, he has kissed, he has been kissed. After 40 years of life he has learned a little, a very little, of what Solomon, much wiser, comprehended not at all, 'the way of a man with a maid.' Ha-ha-ha!"

Laughing Cupid is right. Mr. and Mrs. John Purdin, of this city, announce the engagement of their daughter, Miss Florence Purdin, to Alfa B. Crook, professor of geology and mineralogy in Northwestern University. Miss Purdin, a charming woman, is a teacher in the public schools here. Her fiance—Dan Cupid loves the word—her fiance is a native of Chillicothe; his father, the Rev. Dr. Isaac Crook, is presiding elder of the Methodist conference.

Miss Purdin first met Prof. Crook at a tennis tournament. He is a sturdy athletic man, as should be one who never has touched strong liquor, smoked or chewed tobacco, or hugged or kissed a woman or girl. He plays tennis well, just as he shines in all athletic games. Miss Purdin, lithe, graceful, a fine American young woman, plays tennis well, too. While they played they could not know that Cupid swung a racquet in the game. Rumor has it that the round, full moon was shining bright, love germs swarmed in the lazy night air, each kissing-bug was chirping happily to its mate, when it happened.

The professor kissed and was kissed, this is certain; for he is engaged to be married.

When Prof. Crook awoke to find himself famous three years ago, when the whole world wondered at him that he had never intended to pose as a public example, that he had only advised a wild student to do as he did; never to kiss, hug, swear, and so forth. But the whole world, particularly the women in it, discussed the professor. It is said that the Dowager Empress of China, old as she is, expressed a strong desire to see him. Women in Seattle and women in Calcutta wrote love letters to him. Now—

He has been kissed. And any woman who wears an engagement ring will tell you that it's a box of marrons glaces against that other candied chestnut, a kiss, that he has hugged.

THE STORY OF A SUCCESSFUL MAN

He Found His Lost Health in Dodd's Kidney Pills.

Leading Business Man of Welland Gives His Experience With the Great Canadian Kidney Remedy.

Welland, Ont., Dec. 14.—There is no better known or more highly respected man in Welland than Mr. J. J. Yokom. Born and brought up in the neighboring township of Crowland, by his own industry and sterling honesty he has grown to be one of Welland's leading merchants. Consequently when Mr. Yokom comes out with a statement that he was cured of a serious illness by Dodd's Kidney Pills, everybody knows it must be so.

"For a year or more I had Kidney Trouble in all its worst symptoms," says Mr. Yokom. "My head was bad, I had no appetite and I lost weight fast. At times I was entirely incapacitated. I doctored with a physician of vast experience, but got no good results.

"I became despondent of ever being well again, when by good luck, I chanced to try Dodd's Kidney Pills and from the first they seemed to suit my case. Five boxes cured me completely."

NORTHWEST'S WHEAT PILE

Ths Grain Dealers' Association Says Farmers Hold 13,667,190 Bushels.

Winnipeg, Dec. 15. — A circular issued by the Northwest Grain Dealers' Association estimates the amount of wheat in farmers' hands on Dec. 10, at 13,667,190 bushels. The total yield as estimated on Oct. 15 was 59,857,190 bushels. The quantity inspected to date is 22,200,000 bushels, while 8,500,000 bushels are in store at country points, and 490,000 bushels are in transit not inspected. The amount already marketed, therefore, is 31,900,000 bushels. Allowances of 8,000,000 bushels for seed, and 7,000,000 for country mills leave a balance of 13,667,190.

Evil Effect of Catarrh

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Mr. Joseph De Roche, one of the most prominent and highly respected citizens of Loggieville, N. B., says: "I used Catarrhozone for a sore throat, cold in the head and headache. I always felt relief immediately. It cured the discharge from by nose and restored my sense of smell, lost through the effects of catarrh."

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"A WONDERFUL RAILROAD"

A United States Paper's Glowing Tribute to the C. P. R.

The Buffalo Inquirer, in an article under the title, "A Wonderful Railroad," says of the Canadian Pacific:

"The trans-Pacific travel of the Canadian Railway has been benefited rather than injured by the Russo-Japanese War. The regular passengers from the Orient understand how completely localized the hostilities are and the constant stream to and fro of officers, newspaper correspondents, contractors, and others, interested in the fighting, has swelled the passenger lists to unusual size. Freight business has been equally brisk.

"The convenience of traveling half round the world under one management is moreover gaining recognition in many lands. Passengers put themselves under the auspices of the Canadian Pacific Railway at Liverpool and are conveyed 12,000 miles to Hong Kong. They have no difficulties in making connections; arrangements are settled and information obtained from one office; heavy baggage is checked at one end of the world and claimed at the other, and ladies and children find their comfort attended to and their perplexities solved with uniform courtesy by agents of the company thousands of miles apart.

"As an example of commercial organization, the Canadian Pacific Railway takes premier place among the transportation companies of the world. Last winter its Atlantic steamship lines were strengthened by the addition of a regular freight service from Antwerp to Canada; this winter two fine passenger steamers are being built in England. The run across the continent is most comfortable and the cars are equipped with every device for the comfort of the passengers. To sit in the dining-car and enjoy a first class table through the rocky solitudes of the shore of Lake Superior is to have exemplified in a most remarkable way the triumphs of civilization over nature.

The journey culminates in the prairies, the greatest wheat-growing and ranching district in the world, and the splendid scenery of the Rockies. Even in winter it is well to stop over for a few days in the latter. At Banff this year the Sanitarium Hotel is organizing winter sports under ideal conditions, and at Field and Glacier, the Canadian Pacific Railway hotels remain open the whole year round.

"From Vancouver the Empress liners sail and a most delighted ocean voyage begins. In every appointment, in service, in cuisine, a very high standard is maintained and it is with real regret the passenger goes ashore at Yokohama. He may, if he so pleases, however, stay on board, and after touching at Kobe and Nagasaki, and traversing the inland sea, go on to China. Here he will have a few hours at Shanghai, and will disembark at Hong Kong. Twelve thousand miles has he traveled in about six weeks under the auspices of one company, and though he may no further journey in its ships and trains, he may continue his trip right around the world with every arrangement made and every need foreseen by buying a ticket for one of the many Around-the-World tours organized by the Canadian Pacific Railway Company."

Stone-Thrower Sentenced.

Hamilton, Ont., Dec. 15. — Thomas Brown, a youth, who, for amusement, stood on a bridge to hurl bricks and paving stones at C. P. R., and T., H. and B. passenger trains passing underneath, was sentenced to three years' imprisonment by Magistrate Jelfs.

Close of Soo Canal.

Sault Ste. Marie, Dec. 15. — The Michigan ship canal was closed for the season yesterday and the water pumped out of the locks. It is believed that the tonnage for this month will be nearly 800,000 by the time the Canadian canal closes. This is more than was expected, but the total for the year will fall behind last year between 3,000,000 and 4,000,000 tons.

River Frozen Nearly Solid.

Columbus, Ohio, Dec. 15. — Drought has lowered the Scioto River to a low stage, and the river from which Columbus secures its water supply has today frozen nearly solid. The waterworks of this city today issued warning to the people to hoard their water supply and fill their cisterns, while there is an opportunity, as the water supply may be cut off.

Grand Trunk Official's Tour.

Toronto, Dec. 15. — General Manager Hays, Manager F. H. McGuigan, Third Vice-President Morris and Supt. Jones have arrived in the city. The general manager and his staff have made an official tour of the western part of the system, giving special attention to the terminals at Buffalo, Chicago and Detroit. When seen by a reporter the officials said their tour of inspection was very satisfactory, and the general manager was delighted with the many improvements made during the year.

Methodists in Politics.

Toronto, Dec. 15. — At a very representative meeting of the Methodist body, presided over by the president of the Toronto Methodist Conference, it was decided to organize for the purpose of taking an active part in the coming municipal election in the city. Resolutions were passed calling for a reduction in the number of liquor licenses by twenty-five, and the increase of the cigarette license fee to $100. It is intended that spport shall be given only to those candidates for municipal honors who favor moral and social reform as advocated.

Not Wanted in England.

London, Dec. 15.—At the Bow street police court James Wallace, of Marquette, Mich., was committed for extradition. Wallace arrived at Liverpool Nov. 20 on the steamer Saxonia from Boston, and was arrested on the charge of stealing stock certificates to the value of $30,000 from Edward Brietang, a banker of Marquette. He will sail for New York Dec. 31 in charge of a sheriff.

'TIS A MARVELOUS THING.—When the cures effected by Dr. Thomas' Eclectric Oil are considered, the speedy and permanent relief it has brought to the suffering wherever it has been used, it must be regarded as a marvelous thing that so potent a medicine should result from the six simple ingredients which enter into its composition. A trial will convince the most skeptical of its healing virtues.

The late Wilhelm Jordan, poet, playwright, reciter, novelist, historian and theologian, was one of the most pugnacious of German writers. During the last decades of his long life he set himself up at Frankfort as a sort of universal critic of everything going on in the world, and he was so convinced of his representing the truth on all occasion that he chose for his motto: "Whosoever is not with me is against himself." He was his own publisher.

PAIN IS A PUNISHMENT.—Pain is a protest of nature against neglect of the bodily health, against carelessness regarding the physical condition. It steals in at the first opportunity and takes up its abode in man, and it is sometimes difficult to eject it. Dr. Thomas' Eclectric Oil will drive it out in short order. Pain cannot stay where it is used, but immediately flees away.

Railway Suit.

Toronto, Dec. 15. — The Michigan Central Railway recently sued the Lake Erie and Detroit Railway for $14,084, balance alleged to be due under an agreement whereby it was to receive from the Lake Erie Company freight totaling $35,000 per year. The arrear in the last year's amount is claimed to be the sum sued for. Chancellor Boyd ordered a reference, to find out how much freight was due, if any. The Lake Erie Company appealed in the court of appeal this morning. They claim that the M. C. R. did not supply the cars for the freight. The M. C. R. replies that it was not called upon in the agreement to supply the cars.

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STEAMERS ARRIVED.

Dec. 14.—At New York—Rotterdam, from Rotterdam; Moltke, from Hamburg; Kaiser Wilhelm der Grosse, from Bremen; Hekla, from Copenhagen; Haverford, from Philadelphia.

At Boston—Cymric, from Liverpoool.

At Glasgow—Furnessia, from New York.

At Liverpool—Lake Champlain, from St. John.

At Queenstown—Cedric, from New York.

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Hand-Embroidered, Drawn-work, Cluny Lace Netting, Teneriffe, etc., suitable for mailing.

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Irish Hand-Embroidered or Hand-Drawn Linen Shams. We are showing some specials in these. Make choice gifts.

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Fine Tabling by the yard, Napkins, handsome sets (cloth and napkins to match). Suitable gifts for housekeepers.

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Fancy Huckaback with Damask borders, Fancy Fingered Damask and Hemstitched white and fancy colored Turkish Towels, as well as a large assortment of brown Bath and Friction Towels.

SCARFS.
Scarfs of every length in Real Cluny Lace, Irish Hand Embroidered, Hand Drawn and Damask Linen. See our assortment.

Some new designs in Hand Drawn Table Cloths—made in Teneriffe—2½x3 yards, at $12, $15, $19 and $23 50 each. These are very special value, the best we have shown for the money.

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At only $4 00—handsome Taffeta, in white and black, yoke effects of fine tucking, front of fancy hemstitching, sleeves and back tucked, trimmings of small polished pearl buttons. Special for $4 00
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GIVINS—MORRIS—On Wednesday, Dec. 14, 1904, by the Rev. J. G. Stuart, Annie Stewart Morris, daughter of Mr. William Morris, to Henry Warren Givins.

SHERLOCK—WALKER — On Monday, Dec. 12, 1904, by the Rev. C. T. Scott, of Dundas Center Methodist Church, Winnifred, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Walker, 420 Rectory street, to A. E. Sherlock, eldest son of Mr. J. F. Sherlock, of the Sherlock-Manning Organ Company, city.

GOULD—ISAAC—On Wednesday, Dec. 14, 1904, at the residence of the bride's father, 778 Colborne street, by Rev. L. W. Wickett, Winnifred Grace Isaac, daughter of Mr. John Isaac, to Arthur Gould, both of this city.

DEATHS.

HUMPHREY—On Tuesday, Dec. 13, 1904, Alvin James Humphrey, aged 53 years.

The funeral will take place from his late residence, 804 Queen's avenue, on Friday, at 2:30 p.m.; services at 2 p.m.

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ARSCOTT—At the family residence, Teeswater, Ont., on Dec. 14, 1904, Mary Bell, beloved wife of Robert Arscott.

Funeral from the residence of Frank Arscott, 127 Ann street, on Friday, Dec. 16, at 3 p.m.; services at 2:30. Friends and acquaintances kindly accept this intimation.

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CASES AGAINST CHANTLER DROPPED

Crown Could Not Expect to Secure Convictions After Failing in the First.

The Obernesser Assault Case Commenced at December Sessions of the Peace.

In the county court this morning the grand jury brought in a true bill against Francis Chantler on the charge of stealing lambs. With regard to the other two charges of receiving stolen cattle, Mr. McKillop said that he was not prepared to proceed, having failed to secure a conviction in the first case. He had no hope of securing convictions on these two charges.

Mr. Ed Meredith, counsel for defense, said that it was unfair to let these charges hang fire. Defendant's business had been ruined by the action taken against him, and he was anxious to sell out and go to the Northwest as soon as possible. It was finally agreed that the above charges should be dropped. The charge of theft was laid over until the next session of the court.

The case of the Crown vs. Obernesser was then taken up. It will be remembered that Mr. E. A. Best, traveler for Brener Bros., brought a civil action against Jacob Obernesser to recover damages for an assault alleged to have been commited on Sept. 16. Out of this case has arisen the case of the Crown vs. Obernesser.

Mr. Best was the first witness. He described the trouble that took place in the bar, and the alleged steps taken by Mr. Obernesser. He said in part: "Mr. Obernesser said, 'You're the —— that caused the trouble.' He then jumped over the bar and struck me twice with something hard. I could not see what it was in his hand. The blows put me in a dazed condition, and when I came to myself I was leaning against the bar, supporting myself with my hands. Someone was striking me on my back. A policeman then came in by the front door and asked what was the matter. He was told that I had been assaulted. He asked me if I was going to lay an information. I replied 'yes,' and went to the police station with him. Later on, I returned to Obernesser's for a box of cigars which had been knocked from my hand. I did not get it. Mr. Obernesser then asked me if I wanted to wash my face, and I did so." Witness' nose had been broken and his face cut. It was a long time before the wounds healed. Best showed the marks of the blows to the court. It could be seen that the shape of the nose had been damaged.

To Mr. Essery—Witness had had a glass of ale with Thompson and Obernesser. Then Thompson had walked down to where the musicians were, and some unknown man had walked up to witness and said: "You're the —— whom I have been looking for." Witness had told the stranger that he must be mistaken. The stranger said, "Are you as good a man as you were last night when you called me a ——?" Thompson then came up. Witness explained to the stranger that he must be mistaken in his man. Witness had not called anyone such a name. Thompson had then "grabbed" the unknown man, and they tussled and fell to the floor, Thompson on top. Witness had cried, "Separate them. It's all a mistake." The unknown man, who was afterwards learned to be O'Brien, was biting Thompson's face.

"What were you drinking the night before?"

"Lager and ale and the like of that."

"That covers quite a lot. Were you drunk?"

"No."

"Is it true that when the row with O'Brien occurred you ran away and hit your head against the sharp corner of this partition?"

"No, it is not true."

Witness swore that Obernesser had hit him with something besides his fist, but could not swear it was a bottle.

Mr. Essery read from his cross-examination of witness in the police court just after the alleged assault. Witness had then said he could not swear he was struck with anything besides a fist.

"Is your memory better now than it was a few days after the trouble? Will you swear now that you were not struck by a fist.

Witness finally said he could not swear to it.

Witness admitted that when he returned for his cigars he had declared. "I will see this thing through if it costs me $100." Witness said there had been no enmity between him and Obernesser.

"And you have two barrels to your gun—one is the King vs. Obernesser, and the other is a civil suit to recover $2,000 damages from defendant," said Mr. Essery.

Dr. George McNeil was the next witness for the crown. He described the nature of plaintiff's injuries. The fracture of the nose might have been caused by a fist, but the cuts on the face were more likely to have been caused by a blunt weapon. The injuries could not have been caused by plaintiff running against the partition.

Charles Wood had gone to Obernesser's bar at 10:30 p.m. on Sept. 16. He had seen Thompson and O'Brien get up from the floor, shake hands and part good friends. He had seen Best going towards the front door, and had heard Obernesser say, "There's the —— that caused all the trouble." Witness saw defendant jump over the bar, but, on account of the crowd, could not see any blows struck. Witness said that on election night he was with two companions and had said jocularly, "I am going to make $100 out of the Obernesser case."

Mr. Arthur Thompson gave interesting evidence. "I heard Best and O'Brien wrangling when I was at the other end of the bar. I walked up to get Obernesser to put O'Brien out. O'Brien turned and hit me on the eye, and then I knocked him down." Witness had not seen Best receive his injuries, but saw him just afterwards.

"What was the result of your row with O'Brien?" asked Mr. Essery.

"Well, he tried to bite my ear off."

"Didn't you want to get up, and didn't you cry, 'Enough?'"

"No, you bet I didn't."

"You're not that kind of a man?"

"No, I am something like yourself."

William Carson was in the bar on the night in question, with Charles Wood, and he corroborated the evidence already given with regard to defendant's remark to Best. He saw Obernesser jump the bar and go after Best.

P. C. Harry Down was also called. Best told Down that O'Brien was the man that started the trouble.

An adjournment for lunch was made at 1 o'clock.

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Mr. Ross and Mr. Hardy.

Some enemies of the Ontario Government are stooping even lower than usual when they accuse Mr. Ross of betraying his late leader and colleague, Mr. Hardy.

The Mail and Empire, which is a reproach to the Conservative party, whose chief organ it professes to be, says that Mr. Ross and other Liberals conspired to oust Mr. Hardy from the premiership and that the latter resigned because he was disgusted with the electoral frauds perpetrated behind his back by the Mephistophelian Ross and his fellow-conspirators who had seized the party machinery.

When Sir Oliver Mowat was Premier Mr. Hardy always figured in the Conservative press as "the wicked partner." But Mr. Hardy—one of the noblest of Canadian public men—has passed away and like other Liberal leaders who have preceded him to the great beyond, he is now canonized by those who hounded and traduced him to the last hour of his political career. Now they have discovered—rather late in the day—that Mr. Ross was the wicked partner, and assassinated the upright Mr. Hardy, after throwing upon him the odium of election scandals for which he (Mr. Ross) was entirely responsible.

The familiar trick of deifying the dead and decrying the living shows that this story is lacking in originality, but it is an exceptionally brutal attack upon Mr. Ross, who gave a wholehearted and loyal support to the late Premier. Mr. Hardy was not in good health when he assumed the premiership, and he owed much to the able co-operation of Mr. Ross. The latter has been accused of many political crimes and there is apparently no limit to the malice and mendacity of his enemies.

The Heroes of Peace.

The will of Mr. Alfred Nobel, the Swedish inventor of dynamite, provided for several annual prizes of $40,000 each, to be awarded those achieving the greatest distinction in science, medicine and literature and in the cause of peace during the preceding twelve months. The prizes for 1904 have just been awarded and it is gratifying that two citizens of the British Empire are among the heroes of science. The Nobel prizes have been distributed for four years in succession as follows:

1904—Physics, Baron Rayleigh, of the British Royal Institution; chemistry, Sir William Ramsay; medicine, Prof. Pavloff, St. Petersburg Military Academy of Medicine; literature, Frederic Mistral, of France, and Jose Echegaray, of Spain; peace, the Institute of International Law—the first award to an institution.

1903—Becquerel, discoverer of the Becquerel rays; M. and Mme. Curie, finders of radium; Arrhenius, Swedish chemist; Finsen, Danish discoverer of the Finsen rays for lupus; Bjornson, poet; William Henry Cremer, M. P., publisher of the London Arbitrator.

1902—Lorenz and Zeeman, physicists; Fischer, of Berlin, investigator of uric acid; Major Donald Ross, investigator of malaria-carrying mosquitoes; Mommsen, German historian; Prof. Henry de Martens, Russian writer on peace and member of several arbitration commissions.

1901—Roentgen, X-ray discoverer; Van 't Hoff, physicist; Von Behring, developer of antitoxin for diphtheria, which has saved so many lives; Sully-Prudhomme, French poet; Henri Dunant, founder of the Swiss Red Cross, and Frederic Passy, writer upon peace.

The new world must still yield the palm to Europe in the realm of intellectual achievement. It will seem paradoxical that the inventor of dynamite should establish an endownment for the heroes of peace, but it was a noble conception. The world has reserved its substantial rewards too exclusively for heroes of war, who, measured by their services to humanity, have been less entitled to its gratitude than many whose names have perished or are half-forgotten.

Must Have Canadian Wheat.

The Secretary of the United States Treasury has ruled that Canadian wheat, ground in American mills for export, may enter the United States free of duty. American millers find that a mixture of Canadian hard wheat improves and cheapens their flour, but the duty of 25 cents per bushel has prevented its importation. American flour, however, is losing its reputation in the markets of Europe, and the American millers must have Canadian wheat if they are to hold their export trade. They have given bonds to sell the flour, made in part from Canadian wheat, only in foreign markets, and on this understanding will be allowed a rebate of the duty on the wheat imported from this country. As an American newspaper puts it: "Officials paid by the people guard these mills to insure that England and Japan shall get every pound of flour at a lower price than our own people would be glad to pay for it." The systems shows the confusion of thought on economic questions which reigns among the ordinarily sensible and hard-headed American people. By permitting Canadian wheat to enter free and be ground for consumption in the United States, they would get better and cheaper flour, and would stimulate their own milling industry, but the American wheat-growers claim they would be injured by Canadian competition. At the same time, Canadian wheat is permitted to be ground for export, so that foreigners may get the benefit of the cheaper and better flour, which Americans deny themselves.

In the same way the furniture factories of Michigan import lumber from Canada and manufacture from it furniture for England, France and Germany. They have given bonds that they will not allow any inhabitant of the United States to buy this furniture. The United States pays salaries to officials to see that foreigners get every piece. The people of the United States would be glad to pay more than the foreigners do.

The Massachusetts shoe manufacturers are permitted to get their hides from Canada and the Argentine Republic, instead of from the American Meat and Leather Trusts, provided that none of the people of the United States wear the shoes; they must wear the Meat Trust's and Leather Trust's shoes. American manufacturers make the cheaper good shoes for foreigners only.

It cannot be profitable for the American people to pay more for American products than do foreigners, but they are blind to this defect of their tariff system.

The Civic Overdraft.

It is said that next year's city council will face an overdraft of nearly $10,000 as a result of the improvidence of the present board. It is to be hoped the estimate is an exaggerated one, but if it proves to be anywhere near the mark there should be a day of reckoning for some of the aldermen. No. 3 committee has spent $4,223 more than its estimates and no plea of unforeseen expenditures can excuse such a deficit. What are estimates for if the aldermen exercise no foresight? The assertion is made that the board of works will show an overdraft nearly as large as that of No. 3 committee. If this is shown to be the case it will look very much as though the council has been banking on the "money to burn" which ratepayers are told will be forthcoming next year as a result of the million dollars increase in the assessment. The mayor and his party friends may have considered it good politics to keep down the tax rate this year, but it is not good business when there is no certainty of making both ends meet. It is unfair to the succeeding council, which has to bear the odium of increasing the rate or starving some of the services, unless relieved by a large increase in the assessment, as will be the case next year.

The Music Lesson.

[London Tit-Bits.]

Pupil's Mother—Will my daughter ever become a good musician, professor?"

Professor—I can't say. She may. She tel me zat she gome of a long-lived family.

Taken at His Word.

[Philadelphia Ledger.]

"Good-night," said Mr. Staylate, finally breaking away. "I've enjoyed myself immensely. Now, next Sunday night I—er—expect to pass your house and ——"

"That will be nice. Good night!" said she, and shut the door.

The English Eat Rabbits.

[Exchange.]

One of the most interesting items in connection with the meat imports to England is that of dead rabbits. In England rabbits are an article of food of much greater extent than in the United States. Rabbits are cheap and are considered to be both nutritious and digestible. They are a standard article of food among the people. In 1903 53,273,240 pounds of rabbits, of a value of $3,552,767, were imported into England, Australia alone sent last year rabbits to the value of $1,348,000. In a lecture recently delivered by one of the commercial agents of Australia it was stated that the great Australian pest of rabbits has been alleviated to some extent owing to the fact that it was possible to ship them to England.

The Town Stood the Loss.

[Chicago Tribune.]

While the engine was taking water the passenger with the imposing watch chain and eyeglass strolled out on the platform and looked with interest about him.

"By Jove!" he said to the solitary native, who was sitting on a flour barrel, "this village looks just exactly as it did twenty years ago, when I moved away from here. I don't believe it has changed a particle in all that time."

"I reckon not, mister," said the solitary native, biting off a chew of tobacco. "Your goin' away don't seem to have made much difference in the old town."

Unsatisfactory.

[Exchange.]

Mrs. Neighbors—What was the matter with the last girl you had? She seemed to be very neat and intelligent.

Mrs. Homer—Yes, that was just it. I'm not going to have a hired girl around who dresses better than I do or is more intelligent than my husband.

Got Even.

[Toronto Telegram.]

Canada's gifted daughter, Mrs. Chadwick, has just about evened up on Uncle Sam for his theft of those two Alaska islands.

The Mail's Childishness.

[Events.]

The Toronto Mail, commenting on the nomination of a clergyman in Huron county, says that he becomes responsible for the ballot box affair. Because two silly candidates concocted a fraudulent scheme, for which they were at once prosecuted by the Dominion Government, the clergyman, a Liberal candidate in Huron for the Local Legislature becomes a participant in the attempted crime, according to the logic of the Toronto Mail. Does that kind of argument make or lose votes?

Nebulous.

[Chicago Tribune.]

Young Professor (who has taken her down to dinner)—By the way, Miss Gaswell, have you ever seen the nebula of Andromeda?

Miss Gaswell—No; I was abroad with papa and mamma when that was played. But I've heard that it drew crowded houses."

Still He Shied.

[Cleveland Plaindealer.]

"You said that this horse wouldn't shy at anything ordinary."

"I did."

"He jumped half way across the street yesterday when he saw my wife."

"Well?"

Between Two Fires.

[Louisville Courier-Journal.]

First Commuter—Let's slide into the next car. Here comes Noowed and he's just got his first baby.

Second Commuter—I'd rather stay here. Gogglebat is in the next car and he's just got his first automobile.

Sapient Secretary.

[Judge.]

Employer—Where is that bit of paper with the combination of the safe on it? I told you to put it away very carefully, you know, and I can't open the safe without it.

New Secretary—I locked it in the safe, sir.

The Mother-in-Law.

[Baltimore American.]

Who is it always gets the gaff?
Your mother-in-law.
Whom do the jesters guy and chaff?
Your mother-in-law.
Whom is it you're supposed to fear?
Whose visits claim to dread each year?
Who's pictured always "on her ear"?
Your mother-in-law.

Who's said to have a temper vile?
Your mother-in-law.
Who's slammed and slandered all the while?
Your mother-in-law.
Who's said to make the place you dwell
The fittest earthly type of—well,
Who's said to drive your joys pell-mell?
Your mother-in-law.

Who's lied about the most, say you?
Your mother-in-law.
Who's commonly both kind and true?
Your mother-in-law.
Who's got more sense than you—perhaps,
Because she's known so many chaps
For whom weak maidens set their caps?
Your mother-in-law.

To whom are you in endless debt?
Your mother-in-law.
Whom should you bless and ne'er forget?
Your mother-in-law.
Who brought to this terrestrial ball
The sweetest girl since Adam's fall—
The one you loved the most of all?
Your mother-in-law.

Keep Up Appearances.

[New York Sun.]

A hint on manners here we give,
'Tis better than you think it:
If you perchance are in the soup,
Don't let folks know you drink it.

The Season of Good Will and Gladness.

[Chicago Record-Herald.]

Now in the mornings mother goes
Down to the crowded city,
And shops all day and fights with those
Who paw about the pretty
Things that are piled up in the shops;
At night she staggers home and drops
Down wearily and full of woes,
Bedraggled, but still gritty.

Now father stumbles home at night,
Disgusted and sad-hearted;
The joy that once made home so bright
Has all, somehow, departed.
It is the time of glad good cheer,
The sacred season of the year—
The mobs are charging left and right,
The clawing match has started.

The Real Hero.

[Chicago Record-Herald.]

It's easy enough to be pleasant,
When you're getting good wages and praise,
But hurrah for the lad
Who keeps on being glad
While looking in vain for a raise.

Christmas Is Coming.

[New York Sun.]

Oh, Christmas now is coming on,
And the woman who sweeps the floor,
And the superintendent,
And the elevator starter,
And the window washers,
And the hall porters,
And the elevator men,
And the messenger boys,
And the paper boy,
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Bylaw No.——

To provide for the issue of Debentures to the amount of $15,000 for the purpose of erecting a Breakwater in London West.

WHEREAS, it has been deemed expedient by the Municipal Council of the Corporation of the City of London to submit to the electors entitled to vote upon the same a bylaw to provide for the issue of Debentures to the amount of $15,000, for the purpose of erecting a breakwater in that part of the city known as London West;

AND WHEREAS, it will be necessary to raise by way of loan, on the credit of the Municipality, the sum of $15,000 to provide for the cost of the erection of the said breakwater;

AND WHEREAS, by "The City of London Debt Consolidation Act, 1891," it is, amongst other things, provided that the limit of the borrowing power of the Corporation of the City of London shall, notwithstanding the provisions of any act or law to the contrary, be twelve and one-half per centum of the assessed value of the whole ratable property of the said City of London, as shown by the last Revised Assessment Roll for the time being of the said City;

AND WHEREAS, it is also provided by the said Act that in calculating the amount of the indebtedness of the said Corporation for the purpose of ascertaining if the limit of its borrowing power, as fixed by the Nineteenth Section of the said Act, has been reached, the amount of its indebtedness for waterworks purposes being the sum of $534,628 94, and any liability in respect of local improvement debentures issued by the said Corporation, shall not be reckoned as part of such indebtedness, but shall be excluded in computing the same;

AND WHEREAS, the amount of the whole ratable property of the said City of London, according to the last Revised Assessment Roll of the said City, being for the year 1904 is $18,380,346;

AND WHEREAS, the general debenture debt of the said City, exclusive of local improvement debts, and of the said debt of $534,628 94, incurred for waterworks purposes, which according to the said in part recited act is not to be counted as part of the general debt, only amounts to $2,096,666 04, of which debt no part of the principal or interest is in arrear;

AND WHEREAS, the sum of $15,000 is the debt intended to be created by this bylaw;

AND WHEREAS, it will require the sum of $600 to be raised annually for a period of twenty years, the currency of the debentures to be issued under and by virtue of this bylaw, to pay the interest of the said debt, and the sum of $530 42 to be raised annually during the same period for forming a sinking fund for the payment of the debt created by this bylaw, making in all the sum of $1,130 42 to be raised annually as aforesaid;

AND WHEREAS, it is necessary that such annual sum of $1,130 42 shall be raised and levied in each year during the said period of Twenty years by a special rate sufficient therefor, on all the ratable property in the Municipality of the City of London.

BE IT THEREFORE ENACTED by the Municipal Council of the Corporation of the City of London as follows.

1. It shall be lawful for the Mayor of the City of London, and the City Treasurer, to cause any number of debentures to be made for such sums of money as may be required for the purpose aforesaid, either in Sterling money or in lawful money of Canada, payable in gold coin, for not less than one hundred dollars currency, or Twenty Pounds Sterling each, and not exceeding in the whole the said sum of $15,000, and the said debentures shall be sealed with the seal of the said corporation, and be signed by the Mayor and the Treasurer.

2. The said debentures may be made payable in Great Britain, Canada or elsewhere, and shall have attached to them coupons for the payment of interest.

3. The said debentures shall bear interest at the rate of four per cent per annum from the date thereof, which interest shall be payable half yearly, on the first days of the months of January and July in each year, at the place where the said debentures are made payable.

4. During the currency of the debentures to be issued under the authority of this bylaw, the sum of $600 shall be raised annually for the payment of interest on said debentures, and the sum of $530 42 shall be raised annually for the purpose of forming a sinking fund for the payment of the principal of the said loan of $15,000 in Twenty years, making in all the sum of $1,130 42 to be raised annually as aforesaid, and a special rate in the dollar upon all the assessed value of all the ratable property in the City of London, over and above all other rates and taxes, and which special rate shall be sufficient to produce in each year the said sum of $1,130 42, shall be annually levied and collected in each and every year during the currency of the said debentures.

5. The said Mayor and Treasurer may cause the said debentures, or a sufficient amount thereof to be sold or hypothecated, or may authorize the said debentures, or any portion thereof, to be purchased or taken as and for a temporary or permanent investment of the sinking fund of the City of London, and the proceeds thereof, after providing for the discount (if any) and the expense of the negotiation and sale thereof, shall be applied for the purposes above specified, and for no other purpose.

6. This bylaw shall take effect on, from and after the passing thereof.

7. And it is further enacted by the said Municipal Council of the City of London that the votes of the electors of the said City of London will be taken on this Bylaw by the Deputy Returning Officers, hereinafter named, on Monday, the Second day of January, A. D., 1905, commencing at the hour of Nine o'clock in the morning and continuing until Five o'clock in the afternoon, at the under-mentioned places, being the polling places for the respective polling sub-divisions provided for in Bylaw Number 2471.

FOR WARD NO. 1.

DIVISION NO. 1.
At the City Hall, Richmond street, by George C. Gunn.

DIVISION NO. 2.
At George Chittick's shop, 248 King street, by James C. Grant.

DIVISION NO. 3.
At S. Turner's Office, 347 Ridout street, by William Row.

DIVISION NO. 4.
At Joseph Graham's house, 264 Bathurst street, by Joseph Graham.

DIVISION NO. 5.
At William J. Thorne's shop, 296 Bathurst street, by Dr. J. D. O'Neil.

DIVISION NO. 6.
At William Lindsay's house, 236 Grey street, by John C. Williams.

DIVISION NO. 7.
At W. Cunningham's house, 145 Clarence street, by Alfred Hale.

DIVISION NO. 8.
At Mrs. T. S. Walter's house, High street, by Alexander Acheson.

DIVISION NO. 9.
At Alfred Cave's house, 22 Marley Place, by R. J. Henessy.

DIVISION NO. 10.
At L. Harris' house, 36 Euclid avenue, by W. A. Reid.

DIVISION NO. 11.
At James Connor's house, 103 Bruce street, by George C. Young.

DIVISION NO. 12.
At R. Sparrowhawk's house, 91 Stanley street, by R. H. Hessel.

FOR WARD NO. 2.

DIVISION NO. 1.
At George Korder's house, 70 Carling street, by William Galbraith.

DIVISION NO. 2.
At William Percival's house, 335 Queen's avenue, by William Percival.

DIVISION NO. 3.
At William Smith's store, on the corner of Richmond and Albert streets, by Robert Ryder.

DIVISION NO. 4.
At James Webb's house, 192 John street, by H. B. Gahan.

DIVISION NO. 5.
At Sidney S. Rodger's store, 723 Richmond street, by Samuel Friendship.

DIVISION NO. 6.
At W. F. Eberle's house, 37 Grosvenor street, by W. H. Smith.

DIVISION NO. 7.
At St. George's School House, Empress avenue, by Levi Hammond.

DIVISION NO. 8.
At R. Jones' store, 62 Wharncliffe road, by R. J. O'Neil.

FOR WARD NO. 3.

DIVISION NO. 1.
At Mrs. McDonald's house, 346 Colborne street, by Frank Farnsworth.

DIVISION NO. 2.
At Miss Darch's house, 510 King street, by Francis Wright.

DIVISION NO. 3.
At Thomas Atkinson's house, 420 Simcoe street, by John Bradly.

DIVISION NO. 4.
At William Reid's house, 101 Hamilton road, by Samuel J. Bell.

DIVISION NO. 5.
At William G. Benness' house, 326 Grey street, by James Pirie.

DIVISION NO. 6.
At William H. Fralick's house, 470 Hill street, by William Wilson.

DIVISION NO. 7.
At John Geary's house, 337 Hill street, by Thomas Cole.

DIVISION NO. 8.
At Town Hall, Dundas street, by Robert Bonney.

DIVISION NO. 9.
At Mrs. McDaniel's house, 356 Egerton street, by John Henderson.

DIVISION NO. 10.
At Richard R. Davies' shop, 239½ Hamilton road, by Richard Westby.

DIVISION NO. 11.
At Mrs. Southcott's house, 516 Hamilton road, by William Devlin.

FOR WARD NO. 4.

DIVISION NO. 1.
At G. O. Benson's shop, 380 Dufferin avenue, by H. Irwin.

DIVISION NO. 2.
At Mrs. Rudd's house, 518 Maitland street, by William Howie, jun.

DIVISION NO. 3.
At George H. Thomas' house, 496 Adelaide street, by George H. Thomas.

DIVISION NO. 4.
At Joseph Atkinson's house, 448 English street, by Walter Richards, sen.

DIVISION NO. 5.
At Walker C. Tisdale's house, 897 Dufferin avenue, by Charles Barrett.

DIVISION NO. 6.
At Robert Wynn's house, 350 Central avenue, by W. J. Johnston.

DIVISION NO. 7.
At James Jackson's house, 646 Maitland street, by Charles Ruse.

DIVISION NO. 8.
At James Mayne's store, 572 Adelaide street, by Alexander Jackson.

DIVISION NO. 9.
At Earl Gaze's house, 698 Colborne street, by Henry Pratt.

DIVISION NO. 10.
At John Treneman's house, 561 Piccadilly street, by Charles Webster.

DIVISION NO. 11.
At R. Thomas' house, 779 Colborne street, by W. R. Garner.

DIVISION NO. 12.
At Sarah Kennedy's house, 854 William street, by George Geoghagen.

8. On Friday, the thirtieth day of December, A. D., 1904, at his office in the City Hall, in the City of London, at the hour of twelve o'clock noon, the Mayor shall appoint, in writing signed by him, two persons to attend at the final summing up of the votes by the Clerk, and one person to attend at each polling place, on behalf of the persons interested in and desirous of promoting the passing of this bylaw, and a like number on behalf of the persons interested in and desirous of opposing the passing of this bylaw.

9. The Clerk of the said Municipal Corporation shall attend at the City Hall, at the hour of eleven o'clock in the forenoon, on Wednesday, the fourth day of January, A. D. 1905, to sum up the number of votes given for and against this bylaw.

PASSED in Open Council this ..... day of ....., A. D., 1905.

....
Clerk. Mayor.

TAKE NOTICE that the above is a true copy of a proposed bylaw which has been taken into consideration, and which will be finally passed by the Municipal Council of the Corporation of the City of London in the event of the assent of the electors being obtained thereto after one month from the first publication, in The Advertiser and Free Press newspapers (the date of which first publication was Thursday, the eighth day of December, A. D. 1904), and that the votes of the electors of the said Municipality will be taken thereon on the day, and at the hours and places, therein fixed.

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LADY JAMES' NOVEL

Wife of the Brilliant British Juris Has Taken to Writing.

London, Dec. 15.—The London papers announce that the reading public may expect a thrilling novel shortly from the pen of Lady Jeune. This brilliant English society woman is the wife of Sir Francis Jeune, the president of the British Probate and Divorce Court. Of him it is said that no judge ever carried on his difficult and delicate duties more impartially and with greater judgment.

As to his gifted wife it may be doubted if any Englishwoman belonging to the London world has so wide and varied an acquaintance. She has been twice married. She was originally a Mackenzie, of Seaforth, and thus a daughter of one of the oldest and most famous of Scottish houses. Her first husband was a younger brother of Lord Stanley of Alderley, and his premature death deprived the British army of a gallant and popular officer.

Sir Francis and Lady Jeune lately sustained one of the saddest bereavements which can befall a man and his wife—they lost their only son, a promising young soldier, who died of enteric fever in India.

Lady Jeune is also the mother of two daughters, of whom the one is Mrs. St. John Brodrick and the other Mrs. Allhusen.

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COLONIAL LOYALTY IS NOT FOR SALE

Asquith Discusses Question of Trade With Colonies.

NO DOUBT OF THEIR LOYALTY

Lancashire Y. M. C. A. Gives Assistance to Young Men Destined for Canada.

London, Dec. 15.—Mr. Asquith, speaking at Preston, said the colonies, so far from making an offer to Great Britain, were waiting to see what Great Britain would offer them, warning her at the same time they would not allow our manufacturers to compete with their own domestic industries. All responsible colonial statesmen agreed that colonial loyalty was not for sale, whether to get a preference or not. It was certain they would remain true to the empire if the empire remained true to them.

The Manchester Courier, commenting on Mr. Asquith's speech, says it could hardly be called disloyalty on the part of Canada, if, after granting 33 per cent and offering every able-bodied man in the mother country 160 acres of free land in vain, she turned to the United States for reciprocal trade, she has apparently been offered, without a reply.

Lord Hugh Cecil, speaking at Hanley, said that, although the majority of Great Britain favor free trade, each approached the preference question from different points of view. If German and American exports would injure Canada, Canada was thus being asked to submit to an injury, which was a very poor way of showing imperial regard.

The London Globe, commenting on Lord Cecil's speech, says no one is asking Canada to injure herself. Canada, having to import vast quantities of manufactured goods, wishes to get them as far as possible from the motherland.

Since an emigration advice department of the Lancashire Y. M. C. A. was formed, 2,000 letters of introduction have been given to young men going to Canada, and a large number of unsuitable men have been prevented from undertaking work for which they were totally unfit.

S. B. Fedden, manager of the Sheffield corporation electric supply department, in a report on his recent visit to Canada, says he was very much impressed by the excellent layout of the electricity department in McGill University. Referring to the Soulanges Canal electrical equipment, Mr. Fedden thinks it one of the best applications of electrical energy he has ever seen.

This week's Tattler contains a full-page illustration, showing Lady Minto and her family in their winter Canadian furs.

PREMIER REID ON PREFERENCE.

In the discussion on Mr. Deakin's preferential resolutions in the Federal House of Australia, Premier Reid said he foresaw the difficulty of extending their exchanges with the motherland, and at the same time protecting their own productions. British statesmen at one time taught that the welfare of the empire lay in the restriction of colonial trade, yet in spite of the great liberty given, the self-governing colonies, the feeling of loyalty was worth many armies. He did not wonder that Mr. Balfour and the labor members were showing horror at the idea of taxing food. Referring to the increased cost of imperial defense, he said: "We are bound to look the responsibilities of the empire in the face, and must not forget that the only thing between us and invasion is the British fleet. We should not, however, mix such feelings with the desire of making a bargain. The question is, what we are prepared to give in exchange for the British market; if nothing, we are face to face with a spectacle which doesn't command admiration." The motion authorized the Government to offer preference for preference, but this was impossible in the present state of politics in Great Britain.

A circular issued by the Canadian lines states that if the rate war is not settled by the end of January, passengers booked in advance at higher fares will be taken at present low rates.

It is learned from a source generally reliable that the Devonshire House, in Piccadilly, was sold some time ago. There have been rumors about the disposal of this magnificent property, but while nothing can be said as yet as to when the Duke of Portland will relinquish possession, it is understood that $1,250,000 will be paid down at once for it, and another $1,250,000 on the death of the present owner.

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AL. H. WILSON.

"The Watch on the Rhine" appears at the Grand Friday and Saturday, and matinee Saturday. Al. H. Wilson, the star of the attraction, is said to have verified and even exceeded all predictions as to his success in this field, and is acknowledged as a leader in romantic German comedy. As a singer he is counted one of the best. His songs include "Johnny in the Army" "My Own Sweet German Rose," "The Voice of the Storm" and many of his former vocal gems. Seats now on sale.

A HIGH-CLASS REPERTOIRE COMPANY AT THE GRAND.

The Irene Jeavons Stock Company opens a week's engagement at the Grand next Monday night in "A Divorced Wife." The plays produced by this company are much above the average plays given by popular-priced companies. Special vaudeville features of exceptional merit will be introduced between the acts at each performance. Monday night only any lady accompanied by the holder of a 30-cent reserved seat will be admitted free. Popular prices will prevail during the entire engagement. Seats on sale tomorrow.

GOULD—ISAAC

Pretty December Wedding in a Colborne Street Home.

Mr. Arthur Gould, manager of the Dorchester Station branch of the Purdom-Gillespie Hardware Company, was married last evening to Miss Winnifred Grace Isaac, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Isaac, 778 Colborne street. The ceremony was performed at the residence of the bride's father, in the presence of a number of the relatives and immediate friends of the bride and groom, Rev. L. W. Wickett, cousin of the bride, of this city, officiating.

The bride was very becomingly attired in gray silk crepe de chine, trimmed with silk applique, and carried a shower bouquet of white roses. She was assisted by Miss Ida Adams, of this city, who was attired in brown canvas-cloth, trimmed with gold lace. Mr. W. Gould, brother of the groom, was the groomsman, and the bridal chorus from Lohengrin was played by Miss Lottie Beer, who wore pink and white silk.

At the conclusion of the wedding breakfast, Mr. and Mrs. Gould left for the east on a short honeymoon. On their return they will take up their residence at Dorchester Station.

The bride has been an efficient member of the Colborne Street Methodist Church choir for several years, and will not only be missed by that organization, but in other branches of the church work. She received a large array of beautiful gifts.

EQUALITY IS NOT FOR THE NEGRO

So Says Governors Yardsman of Mississippi—No Sharing of Sovereignty.

Jackson, Miss., Dec. 15.—Gov. Vardaman made the opening speech at the cotton and corn carnival. After welcoming the visitors he branched off into politics and made a very sensational utterance. In touching on the attitude that the Southern representatives should assume in their fight against the reduction of the Southern representation, the governor said:

"Instead of going to the Congress of the United States and saying that there is no distinction made in Mississippi because of color or previous conditon of servitude, tell the truth and say this: We tried many years to live in Mississippi and share sovereignty and dominion with the negro and we saw our institutions crumbling; we saw the public funds squandered, we saw the civilization that our forefathers had fought for passing away, and the law of self-preservation being the first law, we observed it. We rose in the majesty and highest type of Anglo-Saxon manhood and took the reins of government out of the hands of the carpet bagger and negro, and, so help us God, from now on we will never share sovereignty or dominion with him."

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JOTTINGS FROM NEAR-BY PLACES

Furnished by the Special and Occasional Correspondents of the Advertiser.

THAMESFORD.

Thamesford, Dec. 13.—The lecture given by Principal Merchant in the Presbyterian Church on Wednesday night was both interesting and instructive. His subject was: "The Art of Teaching," and was given in connection with the teachers' training class recently formed. Dr. Merchant is a pleasing speaker, and his lecture, though on a subject necessarily more or less abstract, was made clear and impressive by many suitable illustrations, and was listened to with a great deal of interest. After a few introductory remarks, he said that in order to teach, a teacher must study the child, to get a knowledge of chief characteristics, its tendencies and capabilities. Until this is accomplished satisfactory teaching cannot follow. While there are many phases to be considered in teaching, the one around which all others center is "attention," and as time would not permit the speaker to cover the whole ground, he confined his remarks to the phase "attention." With regard to "attention" there must be something to which the child can attend; second, here must be something with which the child can attend (active and developing senses), and third, and most important of all, something for which the child will attend, some end to be gained by attention. Everything being taught must in some way be akin to what the child already knows; he must be able to see the relation of the new to the old. In closing, the speaker appealed to teachers to study and to apply sound pedagogical principles in connection with all teaching. A hearty vote of thanks was tendered Dr. Merchant, and the hope expressed that he will soon favor us again.

Three new members were initiated at the regular meeting of the I. O. F. on Tuesday night.

The advisability of building a new town hall is being considered by the I. O. O. F. here. The site has been purchased from Mr. N. C. McCarty, but whether the society will build has yet to be decided. That a new hall is needed everyone knows.

Miss Cora McCarty is in Toronto this week, visiting her sister, Mrs. Weisbrod.

Mr. B. B. McCarty was chairman at a concert at Herrington on Friday night.

Mrs. Day, assistant in the postoffice, visited London friends on Monday.

Master Earl Tomlinson is progressing favorably.

Mrs. Bain is much improved, and is able to be around again.

"The Yukon" was the theme of a splendid lecture by the Rev. J. R. Ross, of Guelph, in the Presbyterian Church on Monday night. The speaker, who has visited the Yukon, gave a vivid description of his trip from Victoria to Dawson, after which he outlined the nature of the Yukon itself, its wealth, resources, climate, etc. He gave an account of the missionary work that is being carried on there, and made an appeal for greater support from the older and more able churches in other parts of Canada. Mr. Hopper, secretary of the Y. M. C. A., of London, was present, and delighted the audience with a couple of vocal solos.

Miss Fraser, who, owing to illness, spent last week at her home in London, resumed her duties again on Monday.

On Sunday night Rev. Mr. Freeman departed from the usual form of service and gave a historic account of the early Biblical peoples, adding to the interest of it by the free use of maps. It was much appreciated by everyone present.

DIVER AND OCTOPUS

Former Hauled to Surface Wreathed in Monster's Tentacles.

London, Dec. 15.—Papers from South Africa tell of the terrible experience which a diver named William Palmer had with a monster octopus near the Cape Town harbor.

Palmer was down under 35 feet of water at the spot where the Dunvegan Castle collided with the elbow of the south arm pier. The water was clear enough for him to distinguish objects about him quite well. Suddenly an octopus, which was concealed behind a block of dislodged concrete, darted out a huge tentacle and in an instant had pinioned a leg. Another tentacle shot out, fastening an arm.

The creature drew itself slowly from its hiding place, flicking its feelers round the diver and fastening them on various parts of his body. Having no knife Palmer could make no fight with the monster, which had drawn itself clear of the block and was clinging bodily to him.

Fortunately he retained sufficient presence of mind to pull the signal cord and the men at the surface began to haul him up. As he emerged from the water he was completely wreathed in the sucking tentacles of the fish and was in a state of collapse. As he was dragged up the ladder the octopus still clung to him and had to be chopped off with knives and hatchets.

When spread out on the pier the fish measured 11½ feet from tip to tip of his tentacles.

BUYS STEAMER FOR FUN

Earl Fitzwilliam Purchases a Big Liner for a Cruise.

New York, Dec. 15.—Earl Fitzwilliam, the seventh bearer of the title, which was created in 1716, and who traces his descent from Baron Fitzwilliam, 1620, was a passenger on the Etruria, making her landing yesterday morning.

The earl is one of the richest men and biggest landholders in England. His father, the sixth Earl Fitzwilliam, who died in February, 1902, left him an estate of $15,000,000.

The earl is 42 years old, but looks to be many years younger. He is tall, wiry, hard in muscle as a rock, and dark. He was dressed plainly in dark clothes and wore a black derby. He wears a black mustache, with the ends slightly turned up.

He has traveled much and led a life of adventure and daring. His hobby is mining engineering. He has served as aide-de-camp to the Marquis of Lansdowne in India, and while serving on the army headquarters staff in the South African war four years ago won his distinguished service order.

He ran a relief train over a stretch of railroad that had been mined by the Boers. Captain the Viscount Milton, as he was then, ran the train so fast that the Boers didn't have time to explode the dynamite until the cars had nearly all passed over the danger spot and only a part of the last goods car was blown up.

Accompanied by Col. Carter, his friend and guest, the earl is going on a novel yachting expedition from the Isthmus of Panama. He purchased a Castle line steamer, capable of carrying 4,000 tons of coal. The steamer has been ordered to the western coast of the Isthmus of Panama. Thence the owner and ten guests will sail for Australia and possibly Japan.

He has no end of titles, 115,800 acres and is a member of many clubs.

The steamer which the earl has purchased is the Harlech Castle. It is said in England that he is going to the Southern Pacific to prospect for coal. He believes that when the Panama Canal is opened there will be a great increase in trade on the Pacific.

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Christmas Buyers Know Full Well the Resources of This Drygoods Store.

EVERYTHING in it is useful, and for Christmas presents everything in it is givable. Most people's shopping is only half done and there is not much time for the other half. To accomplish it before the rush you should come here in the mornings and with our aid you can soon cover the ground. We make short purses go a long way.

Women's Neckwear, All Prices For Christmas.

Just at the front entrance is a showcase full of beautiful Collars. There's nothing nicer than a collar made as these collars are made. Take a look in this case, and you'll not resist picking your choice. App prices from 50c

Men's Fine Neckwear, 25c Equal to most at 50c.

An extremely large variety of silks and colors, included are Tecks, made-up knots, flowing ends, Derbies, four-in-hands, English squares, etc. Special at 25c

The Men's Section, you know, is at the left of the front entrance.

Women's Coats $2.75. A Best Bargain.

Forty-five only, Women's and Misses' Winter Coats, in black, gray and mixed effects, lined through; worth up to $8 00, on sale tomorrow at $2 75

If you want a coat for any part of your Christmas shopping, for yourself or to give, be on hand at 9 o'clock tomorrow morning.

Women's Suits, that were $18, $20 and $22 50, in black, blue and tailor mixtures, tomorrow $12 50

One lot of Swagger Tailor-made Skirts, were $6 50 and $7 00, tomorrow $3 75

Colored Silk Waists for giving, were $5 00 and $5 50, tomorrow $3 75

French Coney Scarfs, were $6 50, tomorrow $4 00

Boys' Suits at a Christmas Price

Mother's chance to buy a new suit of clothes at the small price of $1 95, where it was $2 75 to $3 50 before.

100 Boys' Piece Suits, in three styles, pleated, Norfolk and double breasted Coats, sizes to fit boys from 4 to 12 years. The materials are pure wool, and patterns and colors the newest, exceptionally well - tailored Suits. Regular prices ranged from $2 75 to $3 50. While they last, at each $1 95

Want a Fur Coat?

Friday and Saturday we reduce:

3 Men's Dark Calf Coats, worth $30, for ...$19 00

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RETIRING FROM BUSINESS

The entire stock of over $35,000 must be sold at cost or less, and the public can rely upon this principle being carried out. All the stock is regular goods, and none has been purchased or will be purchased to deceive buyers. However, I will take orders for any kind of goods and sell them at cost. This is a rare opportunity for customers or for those who have never been customers. Try me. All goods will be guaranteed as sold, as arrangements have been made with the successors to the business for this purpose. Promises must be fulfilled. All goods have been purchased for cash, and consequently well bought. You cannot blame your jeweler for not competing with a man retiring from business. If he does so, he must sell at far below cost. The following prices are a sample of the rest of the stock. I am bound to sell out.

SALE WILL CONTINUE FROM DAY TO DAY TILL STOCK IS SOLD OUT

Store open Every Day from 9 to 12:30, 2 to 5:30, 7 to 9.

100 dozen Sterling Teaspoons, must be sold.

Gent's Waltham Watch in a gold-filled case, guaranteed 20 years, regular $12.00. For **$6.75**

1847 Rogers Bros.' Tea Spoons, A1, per dozen .. **$2.25**

1847 Rogers Bros.' Knives, A1, per dozen **$3.35**

Lemaire's Opera Glasses, regular price $5.00 .... **$3.25**

Alarm Clock. Regular price $1.00, for **60c**

Gents' Gold-Filled Hunting Case Watch, warranted to wear 20 years, with Waltham or Elgin movement **$10.00**

Large stock of Purses and Hand Bags, Ladies' Umbrellas, of the best quality, Gold-headed Canes, and manicure Sets in silver and ebony. Heavy stock Sterling Silver Goods in every line of the trade. Entree Dishes, Pearl-handled Dessert Knives and Forks; Ivory Handles, Celluloid Handles of the English Rodgers—the best makers in these goods in the world. Diamond Rings galore. I have arranged for new stock of certain lines sold out, so as not to disappoint my customers. All goods sold and found not as represented will be taken back and money returned. I have thought it best to sell straight to the public instead of calling in an auctioneer, as I shall then have sole control of the selling, and there will be no misrepresentation.

P. BIRTWISTLE, 116 Dundas Street.

Jewelry Sale

The $12,000 Stock of the Late J. E. Adkins Selling at a Big Discount.

THERE never was a better opportunity to buy Christmas presents. Every article in this store is reduced in price and many below cost. This stock has got to be cleared out to make room for entirely new goods which will be coming in soon.

Mr. Bass will continue this business and his guarantee goes with every purchase. If for any reason, after making your purchase, you desire to exchange it, he will be pleased to do so or refund your money.

The store is open every day and every evening. Do your shopping in the forenoon, if convenient.

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Successor to J. E. Adkins.

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After numerous experiments and trials an alloy of aluminum has been made with which nails, staples and tacks can be made to compete with copper. Among other advantages claimed for the new material is that it is not affected by the weather and will not deteriorate.

Monkey Brand Soap makes copper like gold, tin like silver, crockery like marble, and windows like crystal. 11

Smallpox germs are communicated through the air as well as by contact. The smallpox hospital boats anchored in the Thames have produced a regular epidemic in Essex, England. Yet the shore is nearly half a mile away and there has been no communication.

TO DISCERN and deal immediately with causes and overcome them, rather than to battle with effects after the disease has secured a lodgement, is the result of patient study along this particular line. At the first appearance of a cold the Syrup will be found a most efficient remedy, arresting developments and speedily healing the affected parts, so that the ailment disappears.

According to the statements of Director Fernow, of the New York State College of Forestry of Cornell University, the timber supply available in the United States will be exhausted in 30 years if the present rate of consumption continues.

The first independent school for woodworkers was established in Germany about the year 1859.

THERE CAN BE a difference of opinion on most subjects, but there is only one opinion as to the reliability of Mother Graves' Worm Exterminator. It is safe, sure and effectual.

THE DOMINION

Savings and Investment Society.

Dividend No. 65.

Notice is hereby given that a dividend at the rate of Four Per Cent per annum upon the paid-up capital stock of this society has been declared for the current half-year, and that the same will be payable at the offices of the society, Masonic Temple, Richmond street, London, on and after the 3rd day of January, 1905.

The transfer books will be closed from the 15th to the 31st December, 1904, both days inclusive.

NATHANIEL MILLS, Manager.

London, Dec. 14, 1904. 85k-wttt

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LATEST MARKETS

LOCAL MARKET.

London, Thursday, Dec. 15.

There was quite an improvement in today's market, so far as numbers were concerned, over the market held here on Tuesday last. Poultry was one of the principal offerings. Sales were brisk, excepting for hay and butchers' meats. The prices held steady for the various lines represented.

Grain—There were fully 25 loads of oats offered; sales were brisk, at 96c to 99c per cwt; most of the sales were made at 97c to 98c. One load of barley sold at 92c per cwt.

Hay and Straw—There were 35 loads of hay offered today; sales were slow, as the deliveries have been large the past ten days; prices ruled at $7 to $8 per ton for good hay. Straw sold well at $5 50 and $6 per ton.

Butter and Eggs—Butter was in fair demand; the supply was not very large; prices were as quoted. Eggs sold at 24c to 25c per dozen wholesale, and 27c per dozen retail.

Dressed Hogs—Over 100 carcases were offered; sales were made mostly at $6 and $6 25 per cwt; some of those offered went at $6 50 per cwt.

Apples were in fair demand, at $1 per barrel for fairly good stock.

Potatoes—Very little offered, at 70c and 75c per bag.

Poultry was the feature of the market; turkeys sold mostly at 14c per lb wholesale; alive, 11½c was most frequently paid; ducks, 9c to 10c per lb; chickens, 10c per lb, dressed, and 8c alive; other fowl sold as per quotations.

GRAIN, PER CENTAL.

Wheat	$1 65	@	$1 66
Oats, new	97	@	99
Corn	95	@	1 10
Barley	90	@	92
Rye	90	@	1 00
Buckwheat	1 00	@	1 00
Peas	1 00	@	1 50

GRAIN, PER BUSHEL.

Wheat	1 01	@	1 02
Oats, new	33	@	34
Corn	51	@	56
Peas	80	@	90
Buckwheat	52	@	53
Barley	43½	@	44
Rye	54	@	55

DAIRY PRODUCE.

Butter, store lots, lb	16	@	17
Butter, crocks	17	@	18
Butter, rolls	18	@	19
Butter, creamery	21	@	23
Eggs, doz., wholesale	24	@	25
Eggs, doz., retail	25	@	27
Honey, strained, lb	9	@	10
Honey, comb	12	@	15

FRUITS.

Apples, per bbl	90	@	1 25
Apples, per bag	35	@	50
Pears, per bu	50	@	75
Grapes, per 10-lb basket	20	@	25
Chestnuts, per bu	3 50	@	4 00

POULTRY, DRESSED.

Old hens, per pair	60	@	80
Spring chickens, pair	50	@	80
Turkeys, per lb	13	@	14½
Ducks, per pair	70	@	1 00
Geese, each	80	@	1 25
Hens, per lb	6	@	7
Chickens, per lb	8	@	10
Ducks, per lb	9	@	10½
Geese, per lb	8	@	9

POULTRY, ALIVE.

Spring chickens, per pair	45	@	65
Old hens, per pair	65	@	75
Ducks, per pair	60	@	70
Turkeys, per lb	11	@	12
Chickens, per lb	8	@	8½
Hens, per lb	5	@	6
Ducks, per lb	8	@	8

BUTCHERS' MEATS.

Dressed hogs, cwt	6 00	@	6 50
Beef, per cwt	4 00	@	5 50
Mutton, per cwt	6 00	@	7 50
Lamb, per lb	9	@	9
Pork, lb, hindquarters	8	@	9
Pork, lb, forequarters	9	@	9

LIVE STOCK.

Hogs, selects, cwt	4 60	@	4 60
Pigs, per pair	3 00	@	4 00
Sows, per cwt	3 00	@	3 25
Stags, per cwt	1 50	@	2 00
Grass cattle, cwt	3 50	@	3 75
Export cattle, cwt	4 00	@	4 00

HAY AND STRAW.

Hay, per ton	7 50	@	8 50
Straw, per ton	5 00	@	6 00
Straw, per load	3 00	@	3 50

VEGETABLES.

Potatoes, per bag	65	@	75
Turnips, per bag	25	@	35
Carrots, per bu	20	@	25
Onions, per bu	90	@	1 00
Beets, per bu	30	@	35
Parsnips, per bu	30	@	35
Cabbages, per doz	25	@	40
Cauliflowers, per doz	50	@	1 25
Celery, per doz	30	@	40
Sage, per doz	15	@	20
Savory, per doz	15	@	20

WOOL, HIDES, TALLOW.

Wool, washed, per lb	19	@	20
Wool, unwashed	12½	@	14
Hides, No. 1, per lb	8½	@	8½
Hides, No. 2	7½	@	7½
Hides, No. 3	6½	@	6½
Tallow, rendered, lb	4	@	4½
Tallow, rough, lb	2½	@	3
Sheepskins, each	60	@	65

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STOCK MARKETS.

H. C. Becher, stock broker, Bank of Commerce building, received the following by private wire from Bartlett, Frazier & Carrington today:

New York, Dec. 15—Noon.—That the declines in the Steel stocks in London were the result of manipulation, and did not make any heavy selling from that side, was evident from the fact that although both Steel, common and preferred, opened at about parity, foreign houses were only moderate sellers. In the railroad list, although there was some nervousness, the undertone to the market was strong sentiment, and seemed to be bullish. Amalgamated Copper, preferred, after a period of dullness, advanced sharply, owing to the condition of a rumor that the company had secured control of the Green Copper Company on favorable terms. Commission business is dull, and is likely to remain so for some time to come, on account of the heavy loss sustained by the public, but also because of the approaching holidays. Money is in good supply and the expectation is that Saturday's bank statement will make a favorable exhibition. Sales to noon were 457,000 shares.

C. N. SPENCER, STOCK BROKER.

Stocks, Bonds, Grain and Provisions bought and sold for cash or on margins. Long distance 'phone 180. Office, Market Lane.

MONTREAL.

Montreal, Dec. 15.

	Ask.	Off.
Canadian Pacific	129¼	129
C. P. R., new	128	126
Montreal Street Railway	214¾	214
Toronto Street Railway	103½	102½
Halifax Street Railway	107	105½
Twin City Transit	105	103¾
Richelieu & Ontario	62	60
Montreal Telegraph	160	159½
Bell Telephone	158½	158
Dominion Steel, com	18½	18¼
Dominion Steel, pfd	58⅛	57¾
Montreal Power	82	80¼
Nova Scotia Steel, com	68	67½
Detroit Railway	78	76¾
Laurentide Pulp	82	77
Dominion Cotton	..	39
Mackay, com	39	38
Mackay, pfd	74	73
Montreal Railway, bonds	104	103
Montreal Railway, new	214	212
Dominion Coal, com	63½	63
Dominion Coal, pfd	119	117
International Coal	..	75
Sao Paulo	108	106¾
Lake of Woods Milling, pfd	115	112
Bank of Montreal	..	252
Bank British N. America	140	129
Molsons Bank	219	218
Merchants' Bank	165	162½
Ogilvie Flour, com	..	20
Ogilvie Flour, pfd	135	130
Ogilvie Flour, bonds	115	112
Royal Bank	..	265
Eastern Townships Bank	..	162
Quebec Bank	..	127½
Union Bank	..	135
Dominion Steel, bonds	83⅛	82¾
Heat and Light, bonds	105	101
Laurentide Pulp, bonds	109	102
Toledo Railway	23	22½

SALES: C. P. R., 10 at 129½, 50 at 129¼, 100 at 129; Montreal Railway, 37 at 214½; Twin City, 50 at 104¼, 25 at 104⅛; Iron, common, 10 at 18½; Detroit Railway, 175 at 77; Iron, preferred, 15 at 58, 5 at 58¼, 25 at 58, 1 at 58¼; Mackay, common, 25 at 38¾; Lake of the Woods Milling, preferred, 20 at 114; Coal, common, 25 at 63; Montreal Telegraph, 50 at 160; Bank of Commerce, 154 at 167, 75 at 166¾, 22 at 166¾; Quebec Bank, 24 at 128; Bank of Toronto, 2 at 232.

TORONTO.

Toronto, Dec. 15.

	Ask.	Off.
Bank of Montreal	..	250
Ontario Bank	..	127
Bank of Toronto	240	230
Merchants' Bank	..	161½
Bank of Commerce	167	166
Imperial Bank	230	228
Dominion Bank	250	249⅜
Standard Bank	240	235
Bank of Hamilton	215	213¾
Nova Scotia	270¼	..
Ottawa Bank	..	211
Traders' Bank	..	130
Bank of British America	..	89
Western Assurance	..	89
Imperial Life	..	149
Consumers' Gas	..	208½
Ont. & Qu'Appelle Land	..	100
Can. Northwest Land, pfd	..	99
Canadian Pacific Railway	129	128⅞
Toronto Electric Light	153	150½
Canadian General Electric	173	170¾
Dominion Telegraph	..	120
Bell Telephone	160	..
Toronto Railway	103	102
Twin City Railway	105	103½
Sao Paulo Tramway	108	107¼
Dominion Steel, com	18½	18
Dominion Steel, pfd	60	..
Dominion Coal, com	64	63½
Nova Scotia Steel, com	68	67
Crow's Nest Coal	350	..
Mackay, com	38¾	38⅝
Salt	114	..
British-Canadian L. & I.	..	85
Canada Landed	112	108½
Canada Permanent	..	122
Canadian Savings & Loan	..	120
Central Canada Loan	..	160
Dominion Savings & Invest	..	70
Hamilton Provident	..	122
Huron & Erie L. & S.	..	185
Landed Banking & Loan	..	122
London & Canada L. & A.	100	98
Manitoba Loan	..	95
Toronto Mortgage	..	97
Ontario Loan & Debenture	..	122
Toronto Savings	..	130
Dominion Steel, bonds	83¼	82

SALES: Ontario Bank, 60 at 128; Bank of Commerce, 1 at 167, 25 at 166½; Dominion Bank, 417 at 249, 37 at 249⅜; Toronto Railway, 25 at 102¼; Dominion Steel bonds, 5,000 at 83; Bank of Hamilton, 12 at 214, 10 at 213¾; C. P. R., 10 at 129¼; Sao Paulo, 5 at 107¼, 140, 50 and 50 at 107½, 10 and 6 at 107⅝; Canadian General Electric, 3 at 171; Coal, 25 at 63½; Nova Scotia Steel, 10 at 68; Mackay, common, 25 at 38⅜, 25 at 38½, 50 at 38⅝, 45 preferred at 73¾, 25 at 73¾, 50 at 73⅞; Dominion Steel, 25 at 18¼, 50 at 18½, 100 at 18⅝.

N. S. WILLIAMS, Broker,

113 Masonic Temple.

Correspondents W. F. DEVER & CO. (established 1890). Stocks, Bonds, Grain, Provisions and Cotton bought and sold for cash or on margin.

Long distance 'phone 1,113.

NEW YORK.

Reported by F. H. Butler, stock broker, Masonic Temple, for The Advertiser

New York, Dec. 15.

	Open	High	Low	Close
Amal. Copper	64¼	66	63⅝	65¾
American Sugar	138½	139½	138½	138½
Amer. Locomotive	31¼	31¼	31	31
American Foundry	30½	30⅞	30½	30⅞
American Refining	78	78⅝	78	78
Atchison, com	82⅝	83¼	82½	83
Atchison, pfd	102¼	102¼	101¾	102
Baltimore & Ohio	99⅛	100¼	99⅛	100⅛
Brooklyn Transit	59	59½	58¼	58⅞
C. P. R.	128⅞	129⅝	128¾	128¾
Ches. & Ohio	46¾	47	46¾	46¾
Chicago G. Western	22⅝	22½	22	22⅞
Col. Fuel & Iron	43¼	44¼	42¾	44
Delaware & Hudson	185	185½	185	185
Erie	36	36½	35½	36
Erie, pfd	73¾	74	73½	74
Illinois Central	152½	153	152¼	153
Kan. & Tex., com	29½	30	29½	29½
Louisville & Nash	137¼	137⅞	136⅞	137½
Manhattan	163	..	..	..
Metropolitan St. Ry	118¾	121¼	118¾	120½
Mexican Central	20½	21⅜	20½	20¾
Missouri Pacific	105⅞	108¼	107¼	108
N. Y. Central	135½	136	135¼	135½
Norfolk & Western	77¾	78¾	77¼	78⅜
Ontario & Western	43⅝	43⅝	43¼	43½
Pacific Mail S.S. Co.	42	42	40¾	40¾
Pennsylvania	134½	135	134	134⅞
People's Gas	105⅞	105⅞	104⅝	105⅜
Reading	77¾	78⅝	77¼	78½
Republic I. & S.	14⅝	15	14¼	15
Rock Island	31¾	32¼	31	32¼
Southern Railway	33½	34¼	33½	33¾
Southern Ry., pfd	96	96¼	96	96¼
Southern Pacific	60¾	61⅝	60⅝	62¼
St. Paul	166¾	167½	166½	167½
Texas	33¾	34	33½	33⅞
Twin City	104	..	..	..
Tenn. Coal & Iron	67½	68	67¼	68
Union Pacific	107⅝	108¼	107¼	108
U. S. Leather	16¾	17⅜	16⅝	17
U. S. Leather, pfd	102¾	103¼	102½	102½
U. S. Steel	27	27⅞	26⅞	27⅞
U. S. Steel, pfd	88	89	87¾	89
Wabash, pfd	42	..	..	..
Wisconsin Central	31¼	..	..	..

CHICAGO EXCHANGE.

Reported by F. H. Butler, stock broker, Masonic Temple, for The Advertiser.

Chicago, Dec. 15.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Wheat—May	1 09⅞	1 10⅞	1 09⅝	1 10⅝
July	98⅜	99¼	98⅜	98¾
Corn—May	44⅝	45⅛	44½	45
July	45	45⅜	45	45⅜
Oats—May	30¾	31⅛	30¾	31
July	30⅞	30⅞	30¾	31
Pork—Jan	12 40	12 55	12 40	12 55
May	12 75	12 87	12 72	12 87
Lard—Jan	6 85	6 87	6 85	6 87
May	7 10	7 12	7 10	7 12
S. Ribs—Jan	6 45	6 47	6 45	6 50
May	6 75	6 77	6 75	6 80

PRODUCE MARKET.

TORONTO.

Toronto, Dec. 15.—Wheat—Market continues very quiet and unchanged, at 98c bid for red and white; spring, 93c; goose, 86c to 87c; Manitoba easier; No. 1 northern, $1 03; No. 2, 98c; No. 3, 95c, at Georgian Bay ports, 6c more grinding in transit. Flour—Trade unsettled and little doing; 90 per cent patents, $4 25 to $4 40, buyers' sacks, east and west; 15c to 20c higher for choice. Manitoba unchanged at $5 35 to $5 70 for first patents, $5 20 to $5 40 for second patents, and $5 to $5 30 for bakers. Millfeed—More active and higher, $15 to $15 50 for bran in bulk, $18 to $18 50 for shorts west. Manitoba, $21 for shorts, $18 for bran exports. Barley dull; 45c for No. 2, 43c for extra, and 41c for No. 3 malting outside, Toronto freights. Rye, 74c to 75c for No. 2. Corn—New Canadian yellow, 43c; mixed, 42c, for Chatham freights; new American yellow easier at 52c to 52½c, mixed 52c on track, Toronto. Oats steady to firm, 33c to 33½c for No. 1 white east, low freights; No. 2 at 32½c, low freights, and 32c north and west. Rolled oats, $4 for cars of bags, and $4 25 for barrels on track, Toronto; 25c more for broken lots here and 40c more for broken lots outside. Peas—67c to 68c for No. 2, east and west. Buckwheat lower at 50c to 51c. Butter—Creamery prints continue scarce and firm in tone; choice dairies in demand, quotations unchaged. Eggs—Unchanged; fresh, 20c to 21c; limited, 20c.

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LIVE STOCK MARKET.

TORONTO.

Toronto, Dec. 15.—There were 96 loads in today, including 1,150 cattle, 2,285 sheep and lambs, 2,800 hogs and 55 calves. Quotations:

Export cattle, choice, cwt	$4 50	@	$4 85
Export cattle, medium	4 00	@	4 25
Export bulls	3 50	@	4 00
Export cows	3 50	@	3 75
Butchers' cattle, choice	4 00	@	4 50
Butchers, mixed	3 25	@	4 00
Butchers, common	3 00	@	3 00
Feeders, medium	3 00	@	3 25
Stockers	2 50	@	3 00
Milch cows, each	30 00	@	55 00
Export ewes, cwt	3 75	@	4 20
Bucks	2 50	@	3 00
Culls, each	2 00	@	4 00
Lambs, cwt	5 00	@	5 75
Calves, each	2 00	@	10 00
Calves, cwt	3 00	@	5 00
Hogs, singers, off cars	4 80	@	4 80
Hogs, fats and lights	4 60	@	4 60

Good butchers' cattle are selling well, and common slow; export cattle steady; milch cows are selling well and in demand; everything sold.

EAST BUFFALO.

East Buffalo, Dec. 15.—Cattle—Receipts, 350 head; prime steers, $5 25 to $5 50; shipping, $4 25 to $5; butchers, $3 50 to $4 75; heifers, $2 50 to $4 25; cows, $2 25 to $3 75; bulls, $2 25 to $4; stockers and feeders, $2 50 to $4. Veals—Receipts, 200 head; 25c higher, $4 50 to $8 50.

Hogs—Receipts, 7,200 head; active, 5c higher; heavy, $4 70 to $4 75; mixed, $4 65 to $4 70; Yorkers, $4 50 to $4 65; pigs, $4 35 to $4 40; a few at $4 45; roughs, $3 90 to $4 10; stags, $3 to $3 50.

Sheep and Lambs—Receipts, 14,000 head; sheep slow and lower; lambs active, 5c to 15c lower; native lambs, $5 to $7 60; Canada lambs, $7 25 to $7 35; yearlings, $6 to $6 50; wethers, $5 25 to $5 50; ewes, $4 50 to $4 75; sheep, mixed, $2 50 to $4 85.

CHICAGO.

Chicago, Dec. 15.—Cattle—Receipts, 9,000, including 200 westerns; market steady to lower; good to prime steers, $6 to $7 25; poor to mediums, $3 75 to $5 75; stockers and feeders, $2 to $4 10; cows, $1 40 to $4 10; heifers, $2 to $5; canners, $1 35 to $2 30; bulls, $2 to $3 90; calves, $3 to $7.

Hogs—Receipts, 38,000; market strong; mixed and butchers, $4 35 to $4 57½; good to choice heavy, $4 50 to $4 65; rough heavy, $4 30 to $4 40; light, $4 25 to $4 45; bulk of sales at $4 40 to $4 55.

Sheep—Receipts, 18,000; sheep steady, lambs strong; good to choice wethers, $4 50 to $5 75; fair to choice mixed, $3 50 to $4 60; native lambs, $5 to $7 20.

BEAN MARKET.

DETROIT.

Detroit, Dec. 15.—Beans—December and January, $1 60, nominal; February, $1 60 bid.

OIL MARKETS.

PITTSBURG.

Pittsburg, Pa., Dec. 14.—Oil opened and closed at $1 60.

OIL CITY.

Oil City, Pa., Dec. 14.—Credit balances, $1 60; certificates, no bid; shipments, Pennsylvania, 106,061 barrels.

LONDON.

London, Dec. 14.—Petroleum, American refined, 5½d; spirits, 8¼d.

ANTWERP.

Antwerp, Dec. 14.—Petroleum, 19 francs 50 centimes.

BREMEN.

Bremen, Dec. 14.—Petroleum, 6 marks 35 pfennings.

DAIRY MARKETS.

NEW YORK.

New York, Dec. 14.—Butter—Quiet and unchanged; receipts, 3,876 pkgs. Cheese—Firm; receipts, 3,390 boxes; skims, full to light, 4c to 10c.

CHICAGO.

Chicago, Ill., Dec. 14.—Butter—Steady; creameries, 16c to 26c; dairies, 16c to 22c. Cheese—Steady, 11c to 12c.

MONTREAL.

Montreal, Dec. 14.—Heavy sales of cheese are being made here; within the last couple of days 20,000 boxes of Ontario cheese have changed hands at 9¾c to 10¼c per lb.

ENGLISH MARKETS.

LIVERPOOL.

Liverpool, Dec. 15.—Wheat—Spot nominal. Futures steady; December nominal; March, 7s 3¼d; May, 7s 3⅜d.

Corn—Spot steady; American mixed, 4s 10d. Futures quiet; January, 4s 4⅝d; March, 4s 3¾d.

Peas—Canadian, no stock.

Flour—St. Louis fancy winter steady, 9s 6d.

Hops (in London)—Pacific coast steady, £7 10s to £8 10s.

Beef—Firm; extra India mess, 66s 3d.

Pork—Easy; prime mess western, 68s 9d.

Hams—Short cut, 14 to 16 lbs, quiet, 41s 6d.

Bacon—Cumberland cut, 26 to 30 lbs, easy, 36s 9d; short ribs, 16 to 24 lbs, dull, 42s 6d; long clear middles, light, 28 to 34 lbs, quiet, 40s; long clear middles, heavy, 35 to 40 lbs, quiet; 40s; short clear backs, 16 to 20 lbs, quiet, 40s 6d; clear bellies, 14 to 16 lbs, quiet, 46s; shoulders, square, 11 to 13 lbs, nominal, 39s 6d.

Lard—Prime western, in tierces, quiet, 36s 6d; American refined, in pails, quiet, 35s 6d.

Butter—Good United States steady, 70s.

Cheese—American finest white and colored, strong, 48s; do, September make, strong, 50s 6d.

Tallow—Prime city steady, 22s 6d; Australian (in London), easy, 26s 6d.

Turpentine Spirits—Steady, 37s 3d.

Rosin—Common steady, 7s 3d.

Petroleum—Refined quiet, 6½d.

Linseed Oil—Steady, 17s.

Justice Falconbridge in New York.

New York, Dec. 15. — The Herald this morning says: W. G. Falconbridge, chief justice of the King's bench of the Province of Ontario, was an interested visitor yesterday in the United States courts, and sat for a time on the bench with Judge Adams, in the district court, and listened attentively to the trial of a case involving the question of automobiles going on and off ferryboats under their own power. The chief justice was introduced to the other justices and Commissioner Shields. "I am very much impressed with the expeditious manner in which the justice is dispensed in these courts," said Chief Justice Falconbridge.

Two Alleged Swindlers Are Remanded to Jail

"Billy" Boyd and Hugh Stevenson Go Down for a Week.

Offered to Furnish Bail to the Extent of $20,000.

How Ex-Alderman Douglass Is Said to Have Been Fleeced at St. Louis.

The story published in Wednesday evening's Advertiser to the effect that ex-Ald. Douglass, of this city, had been fleeced out of $10,000, through a foot-race at St. Louis, created no small sensation in the city, for it was the first intimation the public received of the affair.

This morning the second stage in the case was reached, when "Billy" Boyd, sprinter, of Chatham, and Hugh Stevenson, a well-known London character, were behind the bars at the police court charged with conspiracy with an attempt to defraud ex-Ald. Douglass. Pleas of not guilty were entered by the prisoners and they were remanded for a week.

The Question of Bail.

The interests of the two accused men were looked after by Mr. Judd and Mr. Toothe, while Mr. J. M. McEvoy acted in the capacity of private prosecutor. The charge, which was sworn out by Mr. Douglass' daughter, stated "that William Boyd and Hugh Stevenson had on Nov. 29, in the city of London, conspired, by deceit and falsehood, to defraud H. M. Douglass, of the sum of $10,000."

At this point the magistrate asked whether they would elect trial by him or prefer to be sent out to the court that sat in January, but it was pointed out that on a charge of conspiracy there was no choice of trial, and therefore the preliminary evidence will be heard by the magistrate. The question was then put if the defense was prepared to proceed, and the reply was in the affirmative, but Mr. Toothe asked if bail could be secured.

"The charge is so serious a one that very heavy bail would be needed, and I would not grant it under any conditions without the consent of the crown," the magistrate replied.

"Nothing Less Than $15,000."

"I would agree to nothing less than $15,000," Mr. McEvoy stated.

"You're not crown attorney here," said Mr. Judd. "You may be some day, but you're not yet."

"Well, I guess I am 'it' this morning," replied Mr. McEvoy.

The defense argued for an adjournment until Friday, but the magistrate would consider nothing less than a week's remand, which was finally agreed to.

"And in the meantime," asked Mr. Toothe, "may we make application to you for bail? We can get $20,000."

"You may ask for bail if you notify the crown," responded the magistrate, "but I won't name any figure like $20,000."

This concluded the case.

Mr. McEvoy made the statement that it would be necessary to bring witnesses from St. Louis, and that in all probability extradition proceedings would be taken to take the men back to the States, to be tried along with the other alleged confidence men against whom the St. Louis police are working.

How Douglass Was Fleeced.

The story of the alleged confidence game is very interesting. If all said is true Mr. Douglass was made the victim of one of the cleverest and boldest swindling schemes ever transacted, and it was stated today that two other London men had previously been made the victims of a similar game. The names of these men could not be secured, but it has been hinted at that they may also institute proceedings against the men at present charged with conspiracy. It was only after a careful investigation that Ex-Ald. Douglass commenced proceedings against Boyd and Stevenson, and it is said that he still lives in hopes that his money will be returned to him. Mr. McEvoy, prosecuting counsel for the complainant, acting on instructions, went to St. Louis last week and conducted a searching investigation into the case, being aided by the St. Louis police, among whom the case has created much interest. Mr. McEvoy secured several witnesses who will give evidence in the case.

It appears that the prisoners spent some time last summer at Douglass' hotel at Port Stanley. Some time between the hotel holiday and Nov. 27 the proposal was made that Douglass should go to St. Louis with them and handle the money to be bet on a road race in which "Billy" Boyd and a St. Louis man named Maxwell were to be the contestants. Douglass was convinced that the proposal was a good one, and on Nov. 29 he agreed to go.

Was to Handle Bets.

He says he was not asked to bet on the race with his own money, but was asked to provide himself with credit at the bank sufficient to show that he could not get away with the funds to be bet on the race. Mr. Douglass was to handle the money bet on Boyd against Maxwell, and it was proposed that Stevenson should hold the credit money furnished by Mr. Douglass as a bond. This could be amicably arranged as he (Stevenson) knew the St. Louis men and fair play would be assured. On the very day on which he agreed to the proposal Douglass went to the Bank of Commerce here for a bond for $10,000, thinking that it would be good at any time or place.

In the meantime Boyd had left for St. Louis, and on the day following the closing of the scheme Mr. Douglass and Stevenson followed. On arriving there Mr. Douglass was introduced to a party of five well-dressed men "who looked like millionaires." They looked on him as a good sport, and to say the least, the confidence men treated him royally. He was made a welcome guest at the St. Louis County Club, one of the finest in the country, and dined and taken about the city like a prince. Then after the "glad-hand" part had worked off, the scheme commenced to work. Because "public betting was prohibited," the party, including the three Canadians and five St. Louis men, were driven to a saloon of the "dive" type in the tough section of the city.

A Hitch in Proceedings.

Here a hitch occurred. Mr. Douglass carried a valise, and it was supposed that it contained the credit money. When the men were told that merely a paper form signed by the Bank of Commerce had been secured, a vigorous protest was made. It was stated that with sporting men nothing but the cold cash went, and Mr. Douglass was requested to have the order transferred to a St. Louis bank, and the money paid out in bills or gold. Confident that this was merely a matter of sporting etiquette, Mr. Douglass, accompanied by Stevenson, went to the bank and was able to secure the necessary money. When they went back to the saloon Mr. Douglass had $10,000 in a little brown valise.

The betting on the race started, and the result was to be heard by telephone. Mr. Douglass handled all the money to be placed on Boyd, although he did not bet a cent himself, and at times bets exceeding $80,000 were made, although the St. Louis men did not place more than $10,000 at a time. Their money is believed to have been bogus. Meanwhile, it is alleged, Stevenson held the valise with Douglass' money. Suddenly it was announced that all of the money to be bet on Boyd was in, and at this Stevenson is said to have jumped up and thrown the $10,000 belonging to Ald. Douglass on the table. He then held the valise wide open and scooped the valise full of the money. The game played was evident. It had been intended to take Douglass' money as soon as no more bets could be placed on Boyd. "Because the betting money was gone, so had Douglass' credit," was the excuse of the confidence men.

Believed Life in Danger.

Douglass protested firmly, but he got nothing but abuse and threatening looks, and felt that if he protested longer his life would be in danger. Apparently dropping the matter, and putting on an appearance of "gameness," Douglas submitted to the inevitable, and even came back to the city with Stevenson.

The men, who were in on the game, it has been stated by the St. Louis police, are a gang of confidence men of international reputation. Some of the boldest games have been worked by them, and through Ex-Ald. Douglass' stand in the matter, the police of that city hope to break up the gang.

It has been learned that Stevenson is a barber, and that several years ago he was employed in several local shops.

When Stevenson, who was arrested last night by Detectives Rider and Egelton in his room over the Dominion Bank, came to London he was agent or owner of some slot machines, a number were placed in the local saloons. Penny machines were also put in cigar stores, and it is said that Stevenson profited well by them until the police got wind of the illegal contrivances, and put a stop to the practice. Stevenson has remained in the city since. Boyd is well-known the country over.

Boyd was brought in last night by Detective Nickle on the evening train from Chatham.

ARCHBISHOP MAY COME TO LONDON

Head of Church in Canada May Consecrate Bishop-Elect Williams.

A pro forma meeting of the executive of the Synod of Huron was held this morning in Bishop Cronyn Hall at 11:30. The Dean of Huron, as chairman, presided, and the meeting was opened with prayer by Rev. Archdeacon Richardson.

No business of a formal character was dealt with, and an adjournment was made till after the consecration of Bishop-elect Williams on Jan. 6 next.

The interesting announcement was made, however, that in all probability his Grace Archbishop Bond will conduct the ceremony of consecration in this city in St Paul's Cathedral, as his grace has expressed an earnest desire to be present. The fact that the archbishop is over 90 years of age, and that he is willing to come all the way to London in cold weather for the consecration, bears ample evidence of the love he bears for the local diocese, and adherents of the Church of England in the city are greatly pleased with the announcement. It is also understood that Bishop Carmichael, of Montreal; Bishop Sweetman, of Toronto; Bishop Mills, of Ontario, and Bishop Dumoulin, of Niagara, as well as several American bishops and other eminent clergy, will be present.

OFFICERS CHOSEN.

The Companions of Court Forest City, I. O. F., No. 810, have elected officers for 1905 as follows: Court physician, Dr. J. J. Mason; C. D. H. C. R., Comp. Ross; P. C. R., Comp. Piercey; C. R., Comp. Anstie; V. C. R., Comp. Poole; R. S., Comp. Vilmer; F. S., Comp. Wilkins; treasurer, Comp. Houston; orator, Comp. Richardson; organist, Comp. Millian; S. W., Comp. Read; J. W., Comp. Avey; S. B., Comp. Pitt; J. B., Comp. Burgess. Comp. Bessie Poole and Comp. Ryder were named as a finance committee, and Comp. Hodgins and Comp. Pearce as trustees.

MUST RUN CARS UNTIL MIDNIGHT

Engineer Graydon Writes Manager Carr Regarding Operation of South Street Belt Line.

City Engineer Graydon wrote a rather lengthy letter today to Manager Carr, of the London Street Railway Company. The letter is the outcome of a series of complaints regarding the operation of the South Street belt line. The company, it appears, only operates its cars until 11 o'clock each night on this line, with a consequent serious inconvenience to all who have occasion to use the South street belt cars. Last night a number of passengers boarded one of the trolleys, No. 90, at the corner of Dundas and Richmond streets, after the performance of "King Dodo." All went well until the corner of Dundas and Lyle streets was reached, when the conductor ordered the passengers off, telling them that the car was going to the barns. The conductor maintained that he had called out when the car left the corner of Richmond street that it was not going to make its trip, but the impression amongst the passengers is that he must have been talking to himself as none heard him.

At all events, the passengers had to walk from the corner of Lyle and Dundas street to the southern end of the city, in the vicinity of Victoria Hospital. The number of the car was taken and a complaint was accordingly made to the engineer.

Mr. Graydon has called Mr. Carr's attention to the section of the bylaw, which stipulates that cars on all lines must be operated till 12 midnight. Some time ago, an entire carload of passengers was dumped off, and had to walk home. The matter was reported to Mr. Carr, who promised to look into it, but the employes have evidently overstepped the mark again.

Manager Carr, when spoken to on the subject today, disputed the statement that the company is compelled to run cars till midnight on any line, but he said that, nevertheless, it was the duty and the wish of the company to look after the interests of the citizens, and that he will see in the future that such a case as that reported does not occur again.

"We are preparing the new schedule," said Mr. Carr, "and we hope to be able to give the people the greatest satisfaction shortly. Certainly we have no desire to operate the line any way but the way which will meet with the approval of all classes of citizens, as we fully appreciate the value of the good will of the public."

Engineer Ross, of Toledo, who is the engineer of the Everett-Moore syndicate, and who was in this city attending the annual meeting of the London Street Railway Company, approached City Engineer Graydon as to the prospects of Sunday cars in London. Mr. Graydon, after informing Mr. Ross that he (the city engineer) is personally in favor of Sunday cars, and that although there appears to be a growing sentiment in London in favor of them, said he does not think the feeling is such that a bylaw to authorize Sunday cars would receive the approbation of the people as a whole.

CONDENSED LOCAL NEWS

—Miss Taliaferro, of Detroit, is visiting friends and relatives in this city.

—The firemen had a run to a chimney fire at 82 King street at noon today. No damage.

—Pte. Harry Millie, of No. 1 Company, R. C. R., who recently underwent an operation at Victoria Hospital, is steadily improving.

—The programme arranged for the third "Pop" at the Auditorium next Saturday evening includes Mrs. Calder-Leonard, soprano, of Detroit, and George Fox, violinist. Others on the programme are J. Parnell-Morris, tenor; Miss Jeanette Steele, pianist; Miss Tena Elliott, reader, and illustrated songs.

—The funeral of the late Mrs. Margaret McGraw took place this morning from the residence of Mr John Lockyer, 155 Wharncliffe road, South London, to St. Peter's Cathedral, where mass was said by Father Egan. Interment took place in St. Peter's Cemetery. The following acted as pallbearers: J. Lockyer, L. Lewis and Messrs. Flattery and Smith.

—One of the largest and most successful sales which has been held in the vicinity of London for some time took place yesterday for Mr. Jacob T. Manning, of lot 1, concession 4, Westminster, near Belmont. Mr. Manning has recently sold his farm to Mr. Geo. Weaver, of Dorchester. There was a large amount of effects to dispose of and the sale was started in the forenoon. Lunch was served at noon, and the sale was concluded at 4:30 p.m. Prices were good, especially for the stock and feed. Fifteen cows averaged $33 50 each, a span of aged work horses sold for $165. The sale in all realized nearly two thousand dollars, and was conducted by Auctioneers D. R. Dibb, and Hunt & McGregor.

NEARLY A MILLION.

The bank clearings for the week ending Dec. 15 amounted to $972,480.

GIVENS—MORRIS.

At the residence of the bride's father on Horn street, South London, the wedding took place yesterday of Mr. H. W. Givens and Miss Annie Morris. Rev. J. G. Stuart, pastor of Knox Church, conducted the ceremony, which was of a very quiet nature.

TWILIGHT ORGAN RECITAL.

Mr. Jordan will give the seventeenth of his series of organ recitals in the First Methodist Church, Saturday next, at which Mrs. Calder-Leonard, the former soprano soloist of the church, will sing. Mr. George Fox, violinist, will also take part. The recital will commence promptly at 4 o'clock.

FUNERAL OF RUFUS COBLEIGH.

The funeral of the late Mr. Rufus Cobleigh was held this morning from his late residence, 58 Euclid avenue, to the G. T. R. station, where the remains were put on board the train for Clandeboys. Rev. W. G. Howson conducted the services, and the following from the firm of Frost & Wood acted as pallbearers: F. C. Howse, J. H. Thompson, L. Buchanan, J. Macgregor, E. F. Henderson and G. J. Johnston.

OLD RESIDENT DIES.

The death occurred last evening at Victoria Hospital of John Pulver, an old resident who had attained the age of 79 years. He was born in the United States, and was a member of the Salvation Army. The funeral will take place tomorrow from the residence of his son, William Pulver, of 31 Briscoe street, to Mount Pleasant Cemetery. Services will be conducted by the Salvation Army.

SEPARATE SCHOOL NOMINATIONS

Nominations for separate school trustees will be held in St. Peter's school on Wednesday, Dec. 28, and electing will take place a week later. This year four of the eight trustees drop out, namely Messrs. Jerry Loughlin, who has been the board's efficient chairman the past year; Wm. McPhillips, Dr. Claude Brown and Mr. James P. Murray. All of these, it is understood, will seek re-election. It will also be necessary for the board to fill a vacant trusteeship—that formerly held by Mr. Harry P. Sharpe, who removed to Toronto some months ago.

Hog Ate Cartridge.

Washington, Pa., Dec. 15. — Men's lives were endangered and a hog awaiting butchering was killed by a peculiar accident at the farm of Mrs. John Black. One porker had been shot, and while four men were cutting it up other hogs began eating cartridges. One cartridge exploded; then the entire contents of the box went up with a bang. One porker's head was blown to shreds, and the bullets whizzed about the butchers. F. G. Luellen, of Beallsville, lost an eye while cleaving the head of a hog. The axe slipped and a piece of bone, hurled by a glancing blow, penetrated the eye.

Lowest Expense Rate In Canada.

MONEY AND RISKS, November, 1904, publishes three tables of expenses of Canadian life insurance companies. By the three tables the expenses in 1903 of the Mutual Life of Canada were the lowest of all Canadian companies. The average of the past five years shows the expenses of the Mutual Life of Canada to be the lowest in Canada.

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BRICKLAYERS MEET

Visited by Fourth Vice-President Izzard—Officers Elected.

London Branch, No. 5, of the International Bricklayers' Union, held its regular meeting in the Albion block, last night, when it elected officers and also was favored with a visit from Fourth Vice-President Thomas Izzard, of Toronto. Mr. Izzard made an address, in which he told of the work accomplished at the recent provincial convention. He also referred to matters of importance to come before the international at San Francisco on Jan. 6. Bro. S. Foxworthy is to represent London at the latter gathering.

The following officers were installed by Mr. Izzard: President, S. Foxworthy; vice-president, W. Hawthorne; corresponding secretary, Harry Rymill; financial secretary, John England; treasurer, Thomas Beer; conductor, J. Feeney; warden, Fred Tulett; deputy, W. Young; alternate deputy, Alex. Kerr; auditors, W. Young and R. Adams; arbitration committee, Harry Kerr, T. Beer and W. Hawthorne.

MAY BE A THIEF

Suspicious Character Picked Up on Streets by Detective.

Another man who is supposed to like coats which do not belong to him was arrested by Detectives Rider and Nickle this afternoon. He is a suspicious-looking character, and was wearing an overcoat which evidently was not his own. The coat is worth about $15 and had a tag on the inside which showed that it had been made in Delhi. It is made of imitation fur and measures 46 inches in girth. Another coat which the man had had in his possession was recovered by the detective from a pawn-shop. It is of gray striped material. Owners for both the coats are wanted. The man gave his name as Patsey Broogan.

Norman McColl Dead.

London, Dec. 15. — Norman MacColl, former editor of the Athenaeum, is dead, of heart disease. He was born in 1843.

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ALL FOR HER

Instead of replying, his companion took a cigar case from the mantel-shelf and tossed it to him, then slowly and deliberately lit a pipe.

Bertie took a cigar, but instead of lighting it, stared round the room; at the old oak chairs and table, at the gun and pistol rack over the fireplace, at the books in the bookcase, at the grave and singularly handsome face of his host.

"A light?" said Mr. Faradeane, with a smile, which was almost an amused one. "Better smoke, my dear Bertie; there is nothing like tobacco on these occasions."

Bertie pliantly and pleasantly lit his cigar, and, still staring at the dark, thoughtful face, said:

"Well, this beats——"

"Cock-fighting," filled in Mr. Faradeane. "Fire off all your battery of astonishment, my dear Bertie. Don't mind me."

"Yes, but I say!" exclaimed Bertie. "This is—don't you know—extraordinary! What on earth! My dear——"

"Faradeane," put in the other quietly.

Bertie sprang to his feet, but the strong white hands fell softly on his shoulders and forced him into his chair again.

"Take time, Bertie," he said grimly. "Take half an hour if you like. But don't forget that my name is Faradeane!"

Bertie leaned forward and stared at him for a moment in densest perplexity; then he laughed.

"Confound it!" he said, "this is the strangest business. Why, my dear——"

"Faradeane," put in the other with a faint smile. "I'm sorry to interrupt you, Bertie; but if walls have ears, as they say they have, I have the strongest objection to their hearing the name you will persist in trying to shout. I know what you want to say, what you want to ask. You want to ask me why I am living in this out-of-the-way place, and why I decline—absolutely decline—to be addressed by any other name than that which I have, I am afraid, rather obtrusively given you."

"By George!" said Bertie, puffing at his cigar, "that's just what I do want to know! I parted from you rather more than two years ago in London, and left you as jolly and chirpy as a cricket; well, not exactly that, for you never were one of the mad ones; but you were all right, at any rate, and now—it's the strangest business! Why I scarcely knew you just now, when you came up with the dog; you've—you've——"

"Aged so much," finished Faradeane, with a grim smile, as he leaned against the mantel-shelf and looked down at Bertie's bewildered face. "Yes, I have aged, Bertie. But not so much as some people have done. Didn't Marie Antoinette's hair turn white in two days? Whereas mine, you see, has only got speckled in a couple of years. Still I'll admit I am, as you say, changed."

"What has happened, old fellow?" asked Bertie in a lowered voice, "I am afraid you have had some big trouble——"

The other looked down at him and then at the floor, and appeared to be considering some question. Presently he looked up again and shook his head.

"I've been wondering whether I could bring myself to tell you my story—the story of the last two years, Bertie; and I'm sorry to say that I have come to the conclusion that I can't. For two reasons: First, because the recital would shock you, and cause me a rather unpleasant half-hour; and secondly, because the secret is not all my own. I'm only a partner."

"Secret! There is a secret! And you—you——"

The other held up his hand.

"Take care!" he said warningly. "My man is just outside. I beg of you not to speak my name."

"No, no, I won't. I will be careful," said Bertie, flushing. "But you have a secret—Faradeane! You who were always so—so——"

"Too 'high and proud' for that kind of thing, you were going to say? Thanks for the compliment, my dear Bertie. But, alas, it is quite unmerited. I have a secret, and I cannot tell it to you."

"And it is of such a character," said Bertie, slowly and regarding him with pained surprise, "that you feel compelled to—to——"

"Hide myself here like a poisoned rat in a hole," put in the other calmly. "Yes, it is. It is so bad that it has put me out of the world as completely as if I had turned hermit. The shady side of Pall Mall and I have seen the last of each other, Bertie; I have bidden good-by to the world you and I found so pleasant. Scarcely that, however, for I left it so suddenly as to leave no time for good-byes."

"Great heaven!" murmured Bertie, still staring up at the handsome face, with its somber, quietly resigned smile. "But—but why did you come here? Why didn't you go abroad?"

Faradeane smiled.

"For the best of all reasons. Because my pursuers, when I disappeared, at once jumped to the conclusion that I had sought refuge on foreign shores, and are now, I humbly trust, spending their time and energy in scouring the continent after me."

Bertie almost groaned.

"Your pursuers!"

Such a word in connection with the noble form and face seemed indeed incongruous and absurd.

"Yes, my pursuers," said the other, gravely and quietly; "and now you wonder what I have done. I wish I could tell you, Cherub, but I can't. There are some things a man cannot bring himself to confess, even to his dearest friend; this is one of them. And now what will you do" he asked, fixing his eyes intently upon Bertie's eloquent face. "I've told you enough to show you that my society is not desirable, and that ou will do wisely to get up and go. You see, after all, it is a mistake on your part. The man you are listening to is not the old friend you mistook him for, but only a certain Mr. Faradeane, a perfect stranger who somewhat resembles that old friend. Take my advice—I don't offer it often—take my advice, Lord Granville; make a polite bow, excusing yourself for intruding, and leave me."

Bertie's face grew crimson and he sprang to his feet and laid his small hand upon the broad, straight shoulder.

"Is thy servant a dog that he should do this thing?" he said in a voice that trembled with indignation. "What do you take me for, old fellow?"

Faradean put up his hand, and clasping the tiny one, pressed it in silence for a moment.

"I might have known what you would say, Cherub," he said, his voice softening for the first time. "I might have known—— Well, so be it; but remember, remember"—impressively—"that it is indeed and in truth a mistake, and that I am not the man you mistook me for. I am Harold Faradeane, and you make my acquaintance for the first time today."

Bertie nodded and dropped back into his chair.

"I—I consent," he said in a low voice. "Of course, I consent. But is there nothing I can do——"

"Nothing!" was the calm and instant response. "My case is beyond the help of man. Neither you nor anyone else can help me, Bertie. I have got to 'dree my weird,' as the Scotch say, and—alone!" He loked round the room slowly, then went on, "You asked me why I chose this place. It was an accident. Knowing that the people were hunting me"—Bertie winced—"would jump to the conclusion that I had gone to the continent. I determined to remain in England. In the course of my wanderings I happened to come upon this place. Its utter seclusion struck me; its beauty—It's pretty, isn't it?"—Bertie nodded—"it's beauty completed the conquest. You remember, I was always inclined to the artistic in the old days when I was not an outcast and a fugitive," and he smiled.

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The Ramblers Decide to Enter the O. H. A. Intermediate Series.

Wholesale League Launched With Half a Dozen Teams —Juvenile Schedule.

Another surprise has been sprung on London hockeyists in the shape of a third O. H. A. team to be known as the Ramblers. It is their intention to enter the intermediate O. H. A. series under the management of Mr. C. W. Smith, of the Jubilee Rink. There is little doubt but that the team will put up a good fight, and it is expected that their application for O. H. A. representation will be accepted. This team, composed of players who have been together for some years, has always played independent hockey, and last year they came out of the season winners of sixteen games and losers of not one. The games will be played in the Jubilee Rink. Londoners will have endless opportunity to see hockey this season. Let the best team get the support.

A meeting of the Juvenile League was held last night, when final arrangements were made for the commencement of the season's work. The first game is to be played next Saturday evening. Two divisions were made for the teams. The first is for players 15 years and under, and the second for players 16 years and over. The Hortons, Dufferins, Waterloos, Shamrocks and Queen's Own are in the first, and the Royal Blues, Orients and Talbots in the second. The schedule has been drawn up as follows:

Dec. 17—Queen's Own vs. Shamrocks; Hortons vs. Dufferins; Waterloos a bye.

Dec. 26.—Royal Blues vs. Orients; Talbots vs. Victorias.

Dec. 28—Hortons vs. Shamrocks; Waterloos vs. Dufferins; Queen's Own, bye.

Dec. 29—Royal Blues vs. Victorias; Talbots vs. Orients.

Dec. 30—Hortons vs. Waterloos; Queen's Own vs. Dufferins; Shamrocks, bye.

Jan. 2—Royal Blues vs. Talbots; Victorias vs. Orients.

Jan. 7—Waterloos vs. Queen's Own; Dufferins vs. Shamrocks; Hortons, bye.

Jan. 14—Royal Blues vs. Orients; Talbots vs. Victorias.

Jan. 21—Queen's Own vs. Hortons; Waterloos vs. Shamrocks; Dufferins, bye.

Jan. 28—Royal Blues vs. Victorias; Talbots vs. Orients.

Feb. 4—Queen's Own vs. Shamrocks; Hortons vs. Dufferins; Waterloos, bye.

Feb. 11—Royal Blues vs. Talbots; Victorias vs. Orients.

Feb. 18—Hortons vs. Shamrocks; Waterloos vs. Dufferins; Queen's Own, bye.

Feb. 25—Royal Blues vs. Orients; Talbots vs. Victorias.

At a meeting held last night at the Tecumseh House, the proposed Wholesale League was successfully organized. Six firms were represented, and Mr. John Smith, of the McClary club, was temporarily appointed to the chair, and Mr. C. J. Dobie was appointed secretary pro tem. All of the teams represented were willing to enter, and other teams desirous of entering will be given until Monday night, when another meeting will be held. An admission fee of $5 will be charged, and it will have to be received by Mr. Charles Dobie, of Wm. Gurd & Co., on or before Saturday evening. The league promises to be enormously successful. The teams represented at last night's meeting were: McClary Manufacturing Company, Lawson & Jones, John Marshall & Co., London Printing and Lithographing Company, Hobbs Hardware, and the Wholesale Grocers.

Tonight, between the hours of 10 and 11 o'clock, the St. John's O. H. A. team will practice at the Princess Rink. All of the members are requested to turn out.

The annual meeting of the Northern Hockey League was held at the Queen's Hotel, Palmerston, on Saturday, Dec. 10, representatives being present from Listowel, Harriston, Wingham, Mount Forest, Walkerton, Lucknow, Owen Sound and Palmerston. Mr. Forsayeth, of Listowel, was elected president; Mr. W. H. Jackson, of Palmerston, vice-president, and Mr. Rogers, of Mount Forest, secretary-treasurer. The league is putting up a cup, to be the property of the club winning three years in succession.

Great interest in the hockey team is being evinced by lovers of the game at Sault Ste. Marie. A big crowd gathered at the rink to watch the boys work out, and the general opinion seems to be that if the other teams in the league get the best of the Lock City seven they will have to go some. The team seems to be much stronger than last year. The forward line is swift and all the men are showing up well. La. Chapelle and Corbett, who were tried out, have been released, as they were not fast enough for the company.

The first meeting of the new executive committee of the O. H. A., which was to have been held tomorrow night, has been postponed until Friday night, at 7 o'clock, at the Telegram office, Toronto. Some of the members of the executive were unable to attend tomorrow night.

Kingston Whig: Peel, of London, who was for several years vainly endeavored to get recognition by the O. H. A., stands in a peculiar position. The O. H. A. will not allow him to compete in matches under its control, but it will allow him to referee, as a week ago it passed a rule accepting professional referees. The O. H. A. is in a peculiar position, as its worthy president must surely see, it has nobly been trying to keep clear of professionalism, and yet it has, without counting the cost, adopted a rule that will encourage and increase professionalism. Hereafter it will pay its referees for their services. But perhaps it will grant them absolution, and not put their names on the blacklist.

A meeting of the hockey enthusiasts of Chatham was held in the Hotel Rankin and a hockey team was organized for the coming season: Patrons, H. S. Clements, M.P., and Ald. A. B. McCoig; honorary president, T. A. Smith; president, O. L. Leyes; first vice-president, W. Stanley Ball; second vice-president, E. B. Northwood; secretary, S. A. Mercer; treasurer, S. J. Coutney; executive committee, S. Brundage, W. G. Coupland, W. Robinson and M. D. Fraser; manager, C. B. Heath; team committee, W. D. Elliott, J. Hicks, M. D. Fraser and Manager Heath; captain, W. D. Elliott. The club will likely enter the Western League, composed of Ridgetown, Essex, Tilbury and Windsor.

Football No So Fierce

Football may have its evils, so has most anything, says an exchange. When hungry 'tis well to eat, but one may even eat too much. Study is good for the mind, but too much studying is as harmful as too much football. Undoubtedly boys get hurt now and then in playing football, but, contrary to common belief, the game is no more dangerous, considering the number engaged, than most other sports. A schedule compiled a year or two ago by Prof. E. G. Dexter, of the University of Illinois, after receiving full replies from over 100 of our leading colleges in response to blank circulars he had sent the presidents of these colleges, shows that in ten years about 22,766 boys had played footfall. That of this great number 654 had been slightly injured and eight seriously injured, a number so small in proportion to the hosts engaged as to "constitute practically a negligible quantity." Of insurance claims paid within the last five years, a list compiled shows the following:

Horseback	261
Baseball	216
Swimming	97
Wrestling	90
Bowling	71
Hunting	62
Gymnasium	54
Canoeing	49
Football	43
Skating	26
Golf	25
Boxing	21

We will let this list stand without comment, and will only add one or two of the conclusions arrived at by Prof. Dexter through his investigations.

That the chance of being injured to an extent worth mentioning is about 1 in 200.

That, in the opinion of the faculty and college officers, about 17 are in favor of the game to 1 against.

THE RING.

POOR OLE PETER.

Peter Maher is to have a benefit. The Irish champion, now dethroned, but still the champion in many a loyal Irish heart, despite the matter of a few defeats, has won $100,000 in the prize ring since he came to this country, but is now broke, and the Gentlemen's Sporting Club of Philadelphia, will give him a benefit on the night of Dec. 21. Things have not gone Maher's way since he was beaten by Joe Choynski in Philadelphia a few years ago. He has appeared in several six-round bouts in Philadelphia. Some of them he won and some he lost, but the money he won didn't seem to stick to Peter's fingers. His defeat by Jack Williams was his last battle.

THE WHEEL.

RIDERS SUSPENDED.

Boston, Dec. 14. — The eight bicycle riders who refused to finish in the six-day race in New York last week have been penalized by the National Cycling Association. Walthour, Moran and Maya have been suspended. The others are given the choice of suspension or fine.

THE AUTO.

OLDFIELD AGAIN.

Fresno, Cal., Dec. 14.—Barney Oldfield broke every automobile record from 15 miles to 50 miles on the Fresno fair grounds race track today. His time for the 50 miles was 48 minutes and 39 1-5 seconds. The best previous record was 55:42 for 50 miles, held by Charles Gornt.

BASEBALL.

FAVOR POST-SEASON GAMES.

New York, Dec. 14.—Post-season games between the champion teams of the National and American Leagues for the championship of the world were favored here today at the annual meeting of the National League of Professional Baseball Clubs. The magnates stuck to the old schedule of 154 games for each club, stipulating that the season should not extend beyond Oct. 8. The application of the minor leagues for a change in the regulations regarding the drafting of players from the smaller leagues was approved and a new rule was adopted, designed to restrict and properly punish players why may be removed from the field. The Philadelphia players were formally awarded to the new Philadelphia Ball Club by President William Shettlin, who was admitted. These umpires for next season were appointed: Robert Emslie, Henry O'Day, J. E. Johnstone, George Bausewine and William Klem.

BASKETBALL.

LONDON GOES TO BRANTFORD.

Senior basketball isn't going to be such a dead issue after all this season, says the Brantford Expositor. The players have got together and a whole lot of the old-time enthusiasm has been aroused. A game has been arranged for with London at the local gymnasium on Thursday evening. The locals practiced last night and the line-up will be Lister, Tuck, Runchie, Hill and Bowers. Hill has not as yet received his reinstatement certificate, but he will be allowed to play in all probability.

THE TURF.

YESTERDAY'S TURF WINNERS.

At New Orleans—Totness, 7 to 2; Alladin, 9 to 1; Go to Win, 15 to 1; Autolight, 12 to 1; Jungle Imp, 9 to 1; Lady Charlotte, 8 to 1.

CURLING.

HOME RINK WON.

Rinks from the Thistle and London Clubs played a friendly game at the Thistle curling rink last night. The home team won by a majority of 16 shots. The score:

London.	Thistle.
M. Talbot,	Dr. Scott,
Dr. Smith,	D. Wylie,
J. McAlpine,	C. Preston,
W. Smith,	Jas. Burnett,
skip..... 3	skip 19

INDOOR BASEBALL.

BARRACKS WON.

A game of indoor baseball was played at the drill shed last night between the Non-Coms., of Wolseley Barracks, and the Sergeants, of the Seventh. The former won by 20 to 15.

TALKATIVE AMBASSADOR

German Prince at Paris Criticizes Anglo-French Friendship.

Paris, Dec. 14.—Prince Randolin, the German ambassador at Paris, talks too much. This is a defect which is unusual in a diplomat, whose training teaches him above all things discretion and silence. Prince Randolin, however, cannot refrain from expressing his ideas, or telling what he knows.

Just now he is going about the Parisian salons teling all who will listen that Emperor William looks askance at the new Anglo-French alliance. "Beware," says Prince Randolin, "lest you push your friendship for England too far, for if you do we will join hands with Russia and plunge all Europe into war."

Such are the sober threats of Emperor William, as expressed through his ambassador, who is surely too well trained a diplomat to speak so emphatically except by order of his august master. If the German Emperor is not satisfied with the isolated position in which he has been placed by the able diplomacy of Monsieur Delcasse, we are very sorry, but we shall go on making friends and cementing alliances as much as we like. His German Majesty to the contrary notwithstanding.

The secret of the blood which bespatered the face of General Andre, Minister of War, when he received his double slap from Monsieur Syveton, deputy for Paris, is not known. The spilling of the general's blood was not due, as was at first supposed, to the great violence of the blow he received, or to any particular brutality on the part of Deputy Syveton in administering it. The fault lies with the Minister's false teeth.

The largest tree in the Yosemite Valley is slowly dying, and there seems to be no way in which it can be saved. It has long been known to tourists as Grizzly King and is over 264 feet high, having a circumference of 91 feet at its base. Already it leans 18 feet out of the perpendicular, and arrangements are being made to hold it up by means of cables and stout props.

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London, Dec. 14. — With November the cold weather begins in Manchuria and is increasingly intense. Around Mukden the thermometer does not usually fall below zero (Fahr.) until the middle of December, when night after night it may sink to five, ten, and even twenty degrees below zero, and during January to thirty, writes a correspondent of the London Times. In the frequent northeasterly or northwesterly blizzards no human beings can live under canvas. Some may be quartered in native houses; but where, even supposing that the owners should be ruthlessly turned out, will accommodation be found for half a million of men?

The answer is simple; the Japanese are already making use of underground dwellings, such as the natives sometimes use, and which were used by the Russians during the winter after the Boxers had destroyed their railway buildings. The soil of Manchuria, excepting in certain places, is dry at this season, especially in the districts between Mukden and Liao Yang, where it is largely loess and sand. The Japanese, who hold the low hills with gentle slopes, are in the better position. The method is to dig a trench about ten feet to twelve feet deep and varying in width, but generally about nine feet wide. A narrow stairway is cut leading down to the south end. At the base it is widened and a door frame set up with a native door, turning on wooden pivots. The upper half of the door is open work, which, being covered with the opaque native window paper, admits light. The sun shines at midnight down the steps, and when the door is opened freshens and warms the room. Immediately within, on one side, is a cooking stove, camp oven or boiler, in a simple and primitive style, to which both Russians and Japanese are accustomed. Along the length of the trench is a platform some two and one-half feet high and six feet wide, made of hammered earth and rough unburned bricks. Beneath this are several simple flues, up and down which the smoke and heat from the cooking place finds its way, issuing at the end remote from the entrance by a small chimney cut in the solid ground. On this platform, which resembles the old style of greenhouse flue and is called by the Chinese a kang, many men can sleep in warmth and comfort on a rough mat or dried grass. This mode of heating is not only economical, but the flues consume and carry off the earth damp or carbonic acid gas which always generates in underground dwellings. Across the top of the trench rough pieces of timber or poles are laid, and on these kao-liang stalks or straw, upon which is heaped the earth excavated from the trench. This covering keeps out the cold and is practically shell-proof. No rain falls, and but little snow, and the latter can, if desired, be swept off the roofs or mounds over the dwelling.

The Japanese have access to a large number of the native "surface" coal mines, where a coarse dust coal is readily excavated and can be, when mixed with a little wet loess earth, burned in the rough cooking places referred to, in which grass, rubbish and almost anything can also be consumed as fuel. Whilst the first twelve feet to twenty feet of the plain and low hills now occupied by the armies are dry in winter, good water can be found almost anywhere at 25 feet to 30 feet below the surface.

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—In the report of the London Hunt Club annual meeting, the name of Dr. D. H. Hogg was inadvertently omitted from the hunt committee.

THE WEATHER A YEAR AGO.

There was very little change in the temperature in London on Dec. 15, 1903. The highest reading in the 24 hours was 12 degrees above, and the lowest 8 degrees above, a difference of only four degrees.

TO CLOSE FOR HOLIDAYS.

The McClary Manufacturing Company will close a portion of its works for the usual Christmas holidays on Dec. 23 and will remain closed till Jan. 3. This period will be occupied in stock-taking. The enameling department will be run as usual.

TO HOLD DINNER HERE.

The Canadian Manufacturers' Association intends holding a big dinner in this city in the early part of January. In preparation for this event, the local branch of the association will hold a meeting at the Western Fair rooms on Richmond street on Saturday evening at 8 o'clock.

RICHMOND STREET EXPLOSION.

Yesterday afternoon an explosion occurred in a gas-pipe in the stove store of Sutherland Bros. Richmond street. The fire brigade was promptly summoned. The pipe was used to light stoves on exhibition in the store, and the explosion sounded like the discharge of a cannon. The firemen's services were not required, however, and the damage is small.

EMPHATICALLY DENIED.

Sheriff Cameron yesterday gave an emphatic denial to the story that he had recommended a person to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Governor Boston, and that this recommendation was awaiting ratification by the Ontario Government. "As far as I am aware," said the sheriff, "matters are in no different shape from what they have been ever since Mr. Boston handed in his resignation."

R. K. COWAN ELECTED REGENT.

London Council, No. 233, of the Royal Arcanum, has elected the following officers for 1905: Regent, R. K. Cowan; past regent, E. T. Essery; vice-regent, W. G. R. Bartram; orator, Alex Scott; secretary, S. M. Jepson; collector, W. H. Bartram; treasurer, A. Screaton; chaplain, W. Mayo; guide, W. E. Manness; warden, F. Lashbrook; sentry, J. L. Spry; trustee, Bros. J. H. Adams, John Cameron and R. Dart.

UNEXPECTED DEATH.

The death is announced at Fort William, Ont., of Mr. Frederick H. Clarke, son of the late Sheriff Clarke, of Port Arthur, and who also at one time represented North Norfolk in the Legislature. The late F. H. Clarke had been in Fort William some years, and was widely known and respected. He was a comparatively young man, being but 45 years of age and his death was totally unexpected. He was a brother of Mrs. (Dr.) W. M. English, of Dundas street east.

COURT BRIGHTON'S ELECTION.

At the annual meeting of Court Brighton, No. 6507, A. O. F., the following officers were elected for 1905: Chief ranger, L. J. Hessel; S. C. R., Joseph Henry; treasurer, W. Row; secretary, Henry Sutherland; S. W., G. A. Fitchett; J. W., W. O. Smith; S. B., Charles Garside; J. B., Henry Gardener; surgeon, J. M. Piper, M. D., C. M.; minute secretary, Thomas May; pianist, J. T. Read; trustees, J. G. Orchard, sen.; F. W. McMillan, J. T. Read; auditors, W. A. Buchner, Thos. May and R. Jupp.

ELECTED OFFICERS.

Nicholls Lodge, No. 466 A. O. U. W., have elected the following officers for the year 1905: M. W., Bro. Jos. Hurdy; foreman, Bro. A. M. Trick; overseer, Bro. Jos. Good; guide, Br. H. Clark; inside watchman, Bro. Thos. Taylor; outside watchman, Bro. C. J. Nicholls; receiver, Bro. F. J. Copp; treasurer, Bro. H. McPherson; financier, Bro. Wm. Nicholls; representative to grand lodge, Bro. John Collins; alternate, Bro. Wm. Nicholls; medical examiner, Dr. John Wilson; trustees, Bros. H. Clark, J. Taylor and James Dewan; auditors, Bros. George Hodgins and A. M. Trick.

CHORUS CLUB AT CRUMLIN.

The Christ Church Chorus Club gave another of its popular entertainments Tuesday evening at Crumlin, before a very enthusiastic audience. A choice programme of choruses, solos, quartets and instrumentals was followed by four scenes from "The Merchant of Venice." The dramatic work was specially appreciated and as the costumes and settings were in keeping, the effect was very pleasing. Unfortunately, owing to illness, Mr. Charles Percy was unable to be present, as conductor. Mr. Floyd Van Buskirk, however, presided at the piano in his stead. Rev. T. B. Wright, of Thamesford, occupied the chair. The club was subsequently entertained with refreshments by the ladies.

LONDONERS WEDDED.

The Anaconda Standard, of Dec. 7, has the following: Last evening, at 8 o'clock, at the parsonage of the pastor, Rev. S. F. Chambers, of St. Paul's Methodist Church, Miss Clara McCutcheon and Mr. Robert Pearse were united in marriage. Both young people are recent arrivals in the city from London, Ontario, the bride being a cousin of J. R. Thompson and Ralph C. Robinson. Mr. and Mrs. Robinson attended the couple, and afterward a cosy little supper was enjoyed by all. Mr. and Mrs. Pearse will go to housekeeping at once at 57 Front stret, Meaderville." The bride is well-known here, being a daughter of Mr. McCutcheon, grocer. The groom was for a time connected with a local hardware establishment.

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The transfer books are closed from the 15th to the 31st inst., both days inclusive.

By order of the Board,
M. H. ROWLAND,
Manager.

London, Dec. 12, 1904.

SPANISH PIANIST APPEARS IN RECITAL AT THE AUDITORIUM

Alberto Jonas Handles Difficult Programme in a Masterly Manner.

For the second time within a couple of years, London has had the genuine pleasure of listening to Mr. Alberto Jonas in recital. Since this artist's last appearance he has been residing in Detroit, his principal work being the musical direction of the Michigan Conservatory of Music. Under Mr. Jonas' superintendence, this institution has acquired unique distinction in its class, not merely for the quality of work accomplished, but for the rather exceptional methods which are used, severe tests, not only of talent, but also of means, being imposed before candidates are admitted, assuring for the faculty a supply of the best material.

The programme presented last night was one calculated to show the player to best advantage, the works presented being practically without exception, from the pens of the modern romantic school of composers, and from the type represented by Chopin, Liszt and Moszkowski.

The opening number, Chopin's B-flat minor sonata, is seldom given in its entirety, its extreme length ranking it with the same composer's concertos as being the most difficult of his compositions to listen to. Concertgoers will remember the interpretation given it at Rosenthal's memorable recital in the old opera house. Its length does not prevent it from being a work of extraordinary beauty, the wealth of theme being almost comparable to the rich profusion of Schubert.

Later in the programme came the A-Flat Ballade, three of the mazurkas, a Tansey and a Saint-Saens arrangement, a Moszkowski Etude, two Liszt numbers, including the "Campanella," and a "Romance," by Havier Carlier. This last, if not a novelty, at least has not been seen on recital programmes here before.

Of all these eleven numbers, perhaps the Liszt Campanella and the Moszkowski ranked second and first respectively. Both were rendered with dazzling technic, the trills being exceptionally well handled. The Etude is a study in bravoura, pure and simple, the demands upon the left hand, both for accuracy and endurance, being quite extraordinary. In both these numbers the pedal was faultlessly handled, the formidable piling up of notes in scale, octave and double-stop passages never suffering in effect from the slightest blurring or sense of confusion.

The trills in the Campanella were elaborated with very telling effect, and with appropriate anti-climax on the return to the theme.

On his last appearance, Mr. Jonas' strongest point was interpretation, especially of Chopin and the "Chopin concert style" of composition. To this he has added virtuosity in the best sense of that word; that is appropriate virtuosity, not virtuosity rampant.

Although he responded but in two cases to encore demands, the first additional number was well-worth the effort expended to obtain it. His selection was the Passepied from Delibes' suite "Le roi s' amuse," first introduced here in an organ arrangement, by Mr. Hewlett in one of his first twilight series.

If Alberto Jonas' position were to be summed in a word, it would be, that while he is not the wonder that men of the class of Sauer or Paderewski are, he is still well-up in the front rank, and quite superior, among players of this continent, to either Sherwood or Emil Liebling, of Chicago. There is a delicacy of finish, that is lacking in the more rugged interpretation of these latter, about every phrase and sentence that Mr. Jonas plays.

The audience was large and enthusiastic, and the programme ideal in its brevity, coming up to Tony Weller's standard of making the hearer "wish there was more."

The programme, from The Advertiser job department, deserves an "honorable mention," for neat and artistic set-up.

ROBERT A. S.

Overdraft for 1904 Over Three Thousand Dollars

No. 3 Committee of City Council Far Exceeds Appropriation —Trouble Over a Light.

The last meeting for the year of No. 3 committee of the city council was held last night and the statement of the committee's finances almost staggered the members. It showed that while the estimates for the year were but $71,637 41, the committee's expenditures, including the amount estimated to tide over till Jan. 1, 1905, total $76,271 65, leaving an overdraft of $4,634 24. The committee has on hand about $1,200 of debenture money, left over from the amount raised to buy the new fire engines, and this will leave the overdraft in the neighborhood of about $3,200. The following is a copy of the statement submitted last night:

	Estimate.	Paid.
Market expenses	$ 600 00	$ 779 55
Street watering	10,796 00	10,523 76
Street lighting	25,750 00	25,669 31
Fire halls—		
No. 1	13,875 45	15,871 14
No. 2	4,875 84	5,068 49
No. 3	5,015 12	4,939 39
Water for fire purposes	10,725 00	10,900 00
'Phone alarm system	.....	200 00
Rewiring alarm system	.....	1,000 00
Settlement, Swanwick and Roberton	.....	523 41
Installation of gongs	.....	789 00
Totals	$71,637 41	$76,271 65

Deputation Said Things.

A deputation headed by Mr. Robert Fraser waited on the committee and asked for an electric light at the corner of Waterloo and Victoria streets. The chairman explained that it was too late in the year for the committee to grant the request of the petitioners, whereupon Mr. Fraser said that for five years the people in that quarter of the city had petitioned for a light, and they were about sick of being put off. There is no light within five blocks of the corner named, and he said it was a downright shame to leave the place in darkness. Another of the petitioners declared that it was at this corner that a woman was recently assaulted and that the place is unsafe.

"I've been a resident of that part of the city 25 years and they won't give us a sidewalk. You people won't give No. 4 ward anything," said another of the deputation.

Mr. Fraser also declared that a petition for a light had been sent in to the council in 1903, and that last January he called upon City Engineer Graydon in reference to the matter. Mr. Graydon informed him that the petition presented in 1903 still held good, and showed it to Mr. Fraser amongst a number of other petitions, which he said would be sent to the council.

Chairman Matthews and all the members of the committee declared emphatically that the petition had never come before this year's council, but Mr. Fraser persisted in his assertion. Finally Secretary Bell looked through the minute book, and there in June, 1903, he found a clause relating to the much-disputed document. It had been filed, and, of course, was killed outright.

The chairman undertook to explain matters to Mr. Fraser, telling him to present a petition next year for a light, but this did not please Mr. Fraser or his associates.

Have Money for Jaunts.

"Well, it's queer you have no money for what the people need," said Mr. Fraser. "You have plenty of money for other things. The papers don't publish half that goes on here. Even the accounts are not published. If they were published plenty of strange things would come to light. I notice you always have money for jaunts."

"Nonsense, nonsense," said Ald. Greenlees. "What do you make such statements for? What jaunts do you refer to?"

"When you went to see the market houses in Hamilton and Toronto," said Mr. Fraser.

"When the committee went to those places they were on the city's business and were working for the city's good," said Ald. Greenlees. "You have no room for complaint there.

After some further discussion the somewhat irritated citizens were put off with the advice to send in a petition for a light to next year's council —and to send it in early.

Charles B. Lancaster was present, and backed up his application for the reward offered by the city for information leading to the conviction of any one sending in a false alarm, he claiming that it was through information supplied by him that a youth named Bavin was recently sent to penitentiary. The committee sent for Detective Nickle, who stated that the first information regarding the false alarm came from one of the boys who were in jail at the time, the lads blaming each other for getting the others into trouble. Then the detective called on Mr. Lancaster in his hunt for evidence, and it was upon evidence supplied by Lancaster that Bavin was convicted. It was decided on motion of Ald. Garratt to recommend that Lancaster be paid the $50 at once.

The matter of securing another insurance policy to cover the firemen was laid over till next year.



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KING DODO MUSIC SWEET AND CATCHY

Comedy-Opera Makes a Good Impression in London —A Fair Audience.

"King Dodo," a comedy opera by Frank Pixley and Gustave Luders, authors of "The Prince of Pilsen," was the attraction at the Grand last night, and from a musical standpoint proved a pleasant surprise to the fair-sized audience present. There is nothing very striking about "King Dodo" either from a musical or a comedy standpoint, but there are nevertheless many very catchy airs in the score, and an all-round sweetness of melody which is to be commended. Like the great majority of present-day comic operas, musical comedies, and all other melanges of melody and foolishness, the leading character in "King Dodo" is the king himself, always talking and doing funny things, and always the butt of everybody's joke. This part was taken by Mr. Charles W. Myers, a gentleman hitherto unknown in London, and he covered himself with glory by making the most of the bulky, but for the most part, rather humorless lines placed in the mouth of the king by the authors. Last night Myers introduced a comedy line not on the bill, and it was the funniest thing of the evening. While handling some trunks or boxes in the wings a stage-hand allowed one of them to fall. Myers appeared irritated for a moment, and then shouted in the direction of the wings:

"Set 'em up in the next alley."

This piece of ready wit took well with the crowd and they laughed heartily. Mr. Myers cannot sing, however, but he knows it, and can easily be forgiven for what he lacks in this regard.

Supporting him was Miss Rose Cecilia Shay, who was last seen here in opera with Lord Rosslyn's ill-fated company. She possesses a very fair voice, and sang several numbers acceptably. Her husband, Mr. Joseph Frederick, is the leading tenor, but except in his higher notes his voice is very commonplace.

Miss Elvia Orox Seabrooke appeared as Queen Lilli (in love with Dodo), Miss Seabrooke is a former wife of James Q. Seabrooke, the comedian, and is a fairly clever woman, with a fair voice. The hit of the evening was made, however, by Miss Cora Williams, who sang "The Tale of a Bumble-Bee" in a sweet voice, and was accompanied by the whistling of 300 or 400 of the gallery frequenters. There were many encores for this song, and they were well deserved.

The chorus work was very fair, and the members were richly costumed. The settings were appropriate, and altogether the opera made a very good impression.

FRANK CHANTLER FOUND NOT GUILTY

Jury Reaches a Verdict in His Case in Twenty Minutes —Bills Returned.

The attention of the county court was exclusively ocupied yesterday by the hearing of the case of the crown vs. Francis Chantler. At 6:30 p.m. the jury brought in a verdict of not guilty of having received stolen cattle.

Fred J. Parsons, the convict who was giving King's evidence, told all the circumstances of the stealing of the cattle, which Chantler was alleged to have received on July 13, 1902, knowing that they were stolen. To Mr. Meredith, counsel for defense, however, Parsons admitted that he had been paid for the cattle. This witness has appeared in the box in connection with the Chantler cases six times. James Ballantyne and Mr. W. C. Coo also appeared for the crown. Mr. Meredith submitted that Ballantyne's evidence was unreliable, not being in agreement with his deposition made at the examination some time ago. Counsel also submitted that there was no evidence to show that the accused bought the cattle from Parsons without having seen them. The court said that the case for the crown was vague.

In the case for the defense, a large number, who have known Chantler personally, testified as to his good character. Among them were P. M. Love and Major Beattie. John Hislop, an ex-employe of accused, and Mr. Chantler, himself, were also put in the box. The latter told about his buying the cattle from Parsons, but denied that there was anything crooked in the bargain.

The jury retired about 6:10, and it took them only twenty minutes to arrive at their decision.

The grand jury yesterday found no bill against Harry Donnelly on the charge of robbery with violence. True bills were brought in against Frank Clampitt and Jacob Obernesser, of this city.

WORKMAN MAY LOSE LEFT EYE

Frank Haines, a Bridge Employe, Meets With Painful Accident at Hyde Park.

An accident which may result in a workman losing the sight of his left eye occurred yesterday morning at the Canadian Pacific bridge, which crosses the London, Huron and Bruce line at Hyde Park.

Mr. Frank Haines, employed by the C. P. R., was the victim. He was, with a regular bridge gang, engaged in removing rivets from the structure, when one of the pieces of metal sprung from its place, and struck him in the eye.

Haines was removed to the office of Dr. C. C. Ross at Hyde Park, where his eye was dressed and several stitches put in both the upper and lower lids. He was then driven to St. Joseph's Hospital.

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LADIES' ORCHESTRA AT MUSIC CLUB

New Organization Assists in a Nice Programme at the Afternoon Concert.

At the concert given by the Women's Music Club in the Masonic Temple, yesterday, the Ladies' Orchestra made its appearance. Their numbers were heartily enjoyed by the audience. The orchestra, which is conducted by Mr. A. D. Jordan, is composed as follows: First violin, Mrs. Masuret, Miss Gibbons, Miss McNab and Miss Webb; second violin, Mrs. Drake, Miss Fox, Miss Lewis, Miss McLaren and Miss McIntosh; 'cello, Mrs. Gillespie; viola, Mrs. Jordan, Miss Saunders; accompanist, Miss McGuire.

Yesterday's programme was as follows:

Concerto, C Minor (Allegro).....Bach
Mrs. S. N. Sterling and Miss M. Raymond.

(a) Largo ..... Handel
(b) Minuet ..... Boccherim
Ladies' Orchestra.

Good-bye ..... Tosti
Auf Wiedersehen ..... Benedict
Mr. Oliver Gelinas.

(a) Solitude in the Mountain.....Bull
(b) Reverie ..... Fancouler
Ladies' Orchestra.

(a) The Sweetest Flower.....Liebe
(b) My All .....Bohm
Miss Myra Pickard.

Arabesque (composed 1839).....Schumann
Mrs. John Pocock.

(a) Afton Waters .....Moir
(b) Best of All.....—
Mr. Oliver Gelinas.

The Mill .....Raff
Ladies' Orchestra.

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AID SOCIETY EXTENDS THANKS

Acknowledges Donations Made to the Big Poster Show Recently.

The Children's Aid Society desires to tender its sincere thanks to the following firms, who so kindly and generously contributed their goods to the committee of ladies in charge of the Poster Show recently held in the city hall for the purpose of raising funds to furnish the society's new Shelter Home. The committee also wishes to gratefully acknowledge a number of private donations in cash. The ladies feel that the success of the show was largely due to the corps of bright assistants who gave so freely and cheerfully of their time in attending to their several departments, and thanks are none the less due to the kindly-disposed citizens who aided by their liberal patronage of the booths. The committee also extends its most grateful thanks to the press for the efficient and helpful manner in which the Poster Show, its aims and objects, were given publicity through its columns.

The London firms who donated goods were: A. M. Smith & Co., T. B. Escott & Co., E. Adams & Co., Gorman & Eckert, Canada Grocery and Spice Company, A. McCormick & Son, C. F. Nicholl, T. A. Rowat, D. S. Perrin & Co., Thomas McCormick & Co., John Garvey, Somerville & Co., W. T. Stenberg, Ryan & Russell, Scandrett Bros., H. Ranahan, J. Diprose, J. Goodge, J. Dobbin & Son, G. H. Backus, Wallace & Guillemont, W. T. Strong, Cairncross & Lawrence, Anderson & Nelles, Callard & McLaughlin, Meek & Vining, John Barnard, J. M. Duncan, Robinson & Little, R. C. Struthers & Co., McMahen & Granger, Dickison, Nicholson & Co., Clark, Wood & Co., Fraser & McMillan, Hastings Hat Company, Robinson Corset Company, Reid Bros., H. Reason & Co., Lawson & Jones, P. Hendershot & Co., Reid Featherbone Company, C. R. Somerville & Co., Roland Hill, T. F. Kingsmill, Smallman & Ingram, Screaton & Co., Keene Bros., Sifton & Co., J. H. McMechan, Hobbs Hardware Company, John McClary Manufacturing Company, Western Wire Company, S. Stevely & Son, John Ferguson, London Printing and Lithographing Company (100 large posters), Nordheimer & Co. (use of two pianos free of rent and cartage), City Gas Company, William Cooney (posting bills), C. J. Leach, James Ruddy, James Curnoe, Dean & Parnell, Dean Baking Company, Johnston's Bakery, Newmon, H. E. Boomer, Fawkes & Son, Chauncey Smith, R. A. Ross, G. G. Steele, Harry Coates, John Lawson, Whale, F. Moore, C. Catlane, R. Stevens, Henry Lewis, Frank Harley, Canada Floral Company, George Reid & Co., W. J. Young, J. H. Chapman & Co., Patrick O'Mara, J. Gammage & Sons, W. L. Carrie Company, London Electric Company, (per Mr. A. O. Hunt, wiring city hall), Hunt Bros., Thomson's Dominion Oatmeal Mills, Hawkins Flour Mills, Arva, and T. Dexter & Son.

Family Killed by Cabbage Snakes.

Springfield, Ill., Dec. 15.—According to a report received today by the State Board of Health, nine deaths have occurred from a strange poisoning from eating cabbage. In Sidell, Vermillion County, six persons in one family are reported to have died in one day.

For several weeks reports of deaths and serious illness from eating cabbage, supposed to be infested with worms, or so-called "cabbage snakes," have come from different parts of the state.

Dr. George Thomas Palmer says scientific investigation has showed that the worms which have caused the poisoning are deposited by grasshoppers.

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